

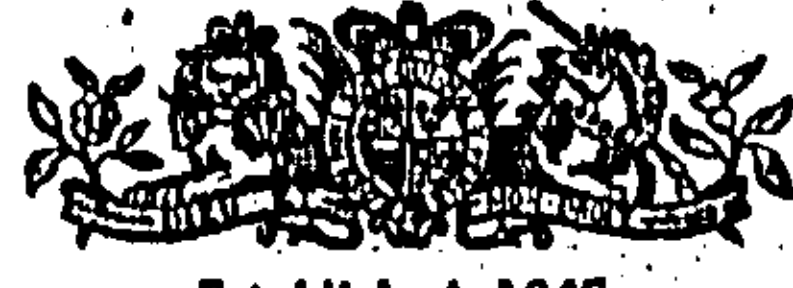
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**\$5 MORE TO
FLY AWAY**

THE Tourist Association Chairman, Mr W. C. G. Knowles has protested against the \$5 levy on outgoing air passengers. He is right to do so. It is his business to oppose anything that deters tourists from coming to Hongkong. A mere \$5 extra on airline tickets will hardly do that, Mr Seth Clarke says. And he goes on to add that anyone who can afford to fly by air can pay the levy without complaint. In so far as it affects leave-taking local residents, we are not concerned. But Mr Knowles is right to make his stand on behalf of the tourist trade.

He can point out to Government that there already are too many trying to make money at the expense of tourists. Holidaying visitors come prepared to spend, often generously, but not to pay out a whole lot of mysterious, inexplicable charges which seem to be added or hidden in practically every bill they pay and demanded wherever they go. The tourist is tired of being touched. The fact that other countries charge such levies is not a reason why Hongkong should do the same. Rather it is why we should avoid them.

Annoying

A MILLION dollars which this levy will bring in as revenue, can undoubtedly be usefully spent. We agree that every little bit extra counts and that tourists contribute relatively little to the Government coffers. In Macao, hotel and restaurant bills carry a charitable tax. At least Hongkong can say it has nothing like this. But Hongkong also does well out of tourists, very well indeed. The Tourist Association estimated that they spent almost \$1 million a day last year. And they are undoubtedly contributing handsomely to the Colony's present prosperity.

By imposing small "incidental" such as \$5 airport levies we add to the reputation this Colony is getting as a place where the tourist is continually asked to dig into his pocket. And though the levy itself can hardly be damaging the cumulative effect of beggars, pimps, high-charging shopkeepers, unofficial guides and the host of hangers-on which the tourist trade has attracted is becoming increasingly annoying and potentially harmful.

If Government insists on the need for this revenue it should raise it by a measure less blatantly directed at people who continue to bring so much business to our shops, restaurants, hotels and airlines, and whose spending makes up one of our biggest and most important invisible imports.

Nineteen other charges denied

Lam Chun-kit, alias Stephen C. K. Lam, a former clerk in Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, this morning pleaded guilty to 33 charges of fraud and larceny involving a total of more than \$1,700,000.

He pleaded not guilty to 19 other charges, on which the Prosecution offered no evidence against him.

Mr S. V. Gittins, Counsel for Lam, also asked the Court that five other transactions be taken into consideration.

The charges to which Lam had pleaded guilty included conspiracy, obtaining money or securities by false pretences or on forged documents, uttering a forged document and larceny by servant.

False pretences

The false pretence charges state that the accused had caused a Mr Ma Shu-pon to pay various sums of money to Messrs Wilkinson and Grist by falsely pretending that certain property owners were desirous of mortgaging their property for various loans.

He is also said to have stolen a number of cheques from the solicitors' firm on various days. The conspiracy charge states that he had conspired with a Yung Dick to commit offences of obtaining money by false pretences.

The reading of the 52 charges and taking the pleas lasted more than one hour.

Mr J. Bodilly, Crown Counsel, told Judge B. J. Jennings that as soon as these charges were laid against the accused, the accused had furnished the prosecution with a very full and frank statement of the frauds.

Not alone

From the nature of the charges, he said, it would appear that the accused had not committed all the offences all by himself although he was at present alone in the court facing these charges.

Messrs Wilkinson and Grist, with whom the accused was employed as a clerk from 1940 until August, 1950, and during which period the frauds were committed, had done all they could, since the frauds came into their notice, to assist the Prosecution and the police in their investigation, Mr Bodilly said.

He said these frauds were committed by virtue of the position which the accused held in a reputable firm of solicitors and it would be seen how the

accused had abused his position and was able to carry out his scheme.

The system used was similar though in each particular case, details varied, he said.

Hearing is continuing.

22 RESCUED IN PLANE DISASTER

Granada, Mar. 8. Spanish rescue squads were reported today to have reached 22 survivors huddled in fog, rain and snow in a wrecked United States Navy transport plane that crashed near here yesterday.

Two other survivors of the crash which occurred in the rugged Sierra Nevada ranges nearly 40 miles east of here had first reported the crash after a six hour walk to the village of Gaudix.

All but four among the 18 passengers and six crew sustained injuries. The military version of the DC-4 was bound from Naples to the American naval base of Rota, on the Mediterranean coast.—UPI.

Drought affects Taipei's power

Taipei, Mar. 8. Curtailment of power and light for home users may be extended from 15 minutes to half an hour a day if the present drought in Formosa continues.

The interruption has been in effect since March 4 because of the drought which has affected Formosa's hydroelectric power. Industrial users have had their power supply cut by 20 per cent.—AP.

Honours for Royal doctors and nurse

London, Mar. 8. Honours for two doctors and the midwife who attended the birth of the Queen's third child last month are announced in tonight's London Gazette.

All receive appointments to the Royal Victorian Order—an honour given to those who render special services to the Royal household.

Mr John Harold Peel, the Queen's obstetrician and gynaecologist, becomes a Knight Commander of the Order (KCVO).

Mr Vernon Frederick Hall,



Mr John Peel, the Queen's obstetrician and Sister Helen Rowe both of whom attended the birth of the Queen's third child.

the Royal anaesthetist, becomes a Commander (CVO). Sister Helen Maude Rowe, the white-haired 60-year-old nurse-in-charge at the Royal birth, becomes a Member of the Fifth Class (MVO).

All attended

The trio honoured tonight all attended the Queen at the birth of her two other children, the Prince of Wales and Princess Anne.

Mr Peel, 55, is one of Britain's busiest obstetricians. He

has been obstetric and gynaecological surgeon at King's College Hospital, London, since 1936.

Mr Hall, also 55, is Dean of King's College Hospital Medical School.

The kindly Sister Rowe, a highly trained midwife, is at present caring for the infant Prince.

The other doctors at the Queen's confinement were Lord Evans, 57, and Sir John Weir, 40, her physicians.—Reuter.

Star Ferry made bid for second vehicular service

The Star Ferry made a bid for the second vehicular ferry service between Kowloon City and North Point. This was revealed by the Star Ferry Co Ltd Chairman, Mr H. D. M. Barton at this morning's annual meeting.

He said: "The company is anxious to improve and expand its services to the public and, accordingly a bid was made to secure the franchise to operate the vehicular service between Kowloon City and North Point, unfortunately without success. [The franchise was awarded to the Hongkong and Yumant Ferry Co. Ltd.]

"However, efforts will be made in other directions as opportunity presents itself."

MORE PASSENGERS

An increasing number of passengers showed they preferred to sit downstairs in the second class section of the ferry.

Mr Barton said that in 1959 although the ferries carried 37 million passengers—714,240 more than in 1958—there was a further shift from the 20-cent to the 10-cent turnstiles.

In 1958, 42.8 per cent went first class and 57.2 per cent second class while last year 40.2 per cent went first and 59.8 per cent second.

BIGGER PROFIT

Mr Barton said the Star Ferry Company's final result for 1959 exceeded the 1958 figure by \$147,533.

Dividend had been increased by 50 cents—from \$9 to \$9.50. The report and statement of accounts were adopted.

The appointment of Mr M. W. Lo and Mr G. T. Tagg as directors was confirmed. Mr H. D. Barton was re-elected.

Peat, Marwick and Mitchell were re-appointed as auditors.

New ADC to Queen appointed

London, Mar. 8. Air Commodore Hughie Idwal Edwards, an Australian holder of the Victoria Cross, has been appointed an Aide-de-Camp to the Queen. It was announced tonight.

The announcement in the London Gazette said he would succeed Air Vice-Marshal R. N. Bateson, who relinquished the job on promotion.

Air Commodore Edwards won his Victoria Cross in 1941 for remarkable daring in leading a daylight attack on Bremen.

He was the first man to win the combination of Victoria Cross, the Distinguished Service Order (DSO) and the Distinguished Flying Cross (DFC) in World War II.

In 1958 he took over command of the central fighter establishment at West Raynham.

Air Commodore Edwards, who is 40, was educated at Perth, Western Australia.—China Mail Special.

Railway wage shock

London, Mar. 8. The smallest of Britain's three railway unions exploded a bombshell in rail pay negotiations for half-a-million railmen today with a demand that all increases should be backdated to August 1958.

The British Transport Commission, which runs the nationalised railways, has so far promised to backdate an interim five per cent increase to January 11, 1959.

DEMAND

But the Associated Society of Locomotive Engineers and Firemen (membership 65,483) today demanded that the date for all increases should be August 1958 when the Gullebaud Committee on rail pay began its investigations.

The committee last week recommended increases of eight to 20 per cent for railwaymen, according to their skill and responsibility.

Leaders of all three rail unions will meet leaders of the Transport Commission on Thursday to discuss the recommendations.

The other two unions are the National Union of Railwaymen, with 365,440 members and the Transport and General Staffs Association, with 87,322.—Reuter.

Plane carrying Churchills diverted by poor weather

Gibraltar, Mar. 8. Strong cross winds today prevented a BEA Viscount carrying Sir Winston and Lady Churchill from landing at Gibraltar.

The plane changed course for Tangier after making two attempts to land here.

Bad weather had already caused one diversion earlier in the flight from London to Gibraltar.

MOST DIFFICULT

The Churchill's were on their way to Gibraltar to go aboard Mr Aristotle Onassis yacht Christina for a trans-Atlantic cruise.

The Gibraltar airfield under the lee of the Great Rock is one of the most difficult to land on, particularly in cross winds.

Sir Winston Churchill's plane later landed at Tangier.—Reuter.

KISTA DAN FREE OF ICE

By SIR VIVIAN FUCHS

Aboard the Kista Dan, Mar. 8. The Kista Dan, carrying men of the Falkland Island dependencies survey team, is expected to reach the open sea tonight.

The U.S. ice-breaker Glacier reached us on Sunday and yesterday we made six miles in heavy ice after being set back in the pack for two weeks.

Mist later obscured the leads (cracks in the ice), but a helicopter reconnaissance from the Glacier led us to a point where the freeze is up to three inches. We have now reached an area of small, loose floes which is fairly easily navigable.—Reuter.

Decisive talks on Cyprus

Nicosia, Mar. 8. Archbishop Makarios said today Cyprus could become an independent state before Easter if a conference opening here today produces a quick agreement on British military bases.

In an exclusive interview on the eve of the first conference session, enlarged to include Greek and Turkish delegates, President-elect Makarios said: "If we cannot come to an agreement by Saturday, however, there will be a complete deadlock and independence will not be possible before May. This week will be decisive."—UPI.

Match factory blaze

Kuala Lumpur, Mar. 9. The Sincere Match Factory caught fire today and about two million match sticks were destroyed. Firemen reported a match was responsible for starting the US\$3,600 blaze.—UPI.

CHILD KILLED EIGHT HURT IN COLLISION

By CHINA MAIL REPORTER

A four-year-old girl was killed and eight people received varying degrees of injury when the car in which they were travelling crashed with an RAF lorry shortly after 7 o'clock this morning.

The accident occurred at the junction of Boundary Street and Waterloo Road.

The child's name is given as Chan Kit-yan.

The private car, which was extensively damaged, was travelling along Boundary Street from Shamshuipo towards Kowloon City in an easterly direction.

The military bus was in Waterloo Road travelling from Kowloon Tong towards Prince Edward Road.

Force of impact

The private car was hit in the middle of its left side and was carried for a distance of about 20 feet onto the pavement just outside the station of the China Light and Power Company in Boundary Street.

So great was the force of impact that the left side of the private car was pushed in while the front seat was striking out of its bumper and mudguard.

The military bus sustained only slight damage to its bumper and mudguard.

Normally, there is a traffic policeman on duty at this junction, but he had not arrived when the accident occurred.

An ambulance rushed to the scene soon after the fatal mishap and the injured, including the car driver, were sent to Kowloon Hospital.

Two who were seriously hurt and detained were Tan Yuk-ying, 19.

The RAF and the Police are inquiring into the accident.

Miners trapped

Charleston, Mar. 8. Eighteen men were reported cut off underground behind a fire in a West Virginia coal mine today.

Police said today that the picture looks awfully dark for them.—AP.

EXPRESS DERAILED: 14 injured

Paris, Mar. 9. The Paris-Marseilles express has been derailed near the station of Serezi Du Rhone, according to messages received in Paris early today.

Three coaches of the express are reported to have capsized. Serezi Du Rhone is near Vienne. Rescue workers have been rushed to the scene of the derailment.

Further reports from the scene of the derailment said that two people were seriously injured and 12 slightly injured.

Six of the coaches of the express, which left Paris last night, had been derailed.—Reuter.

Father watches as family die

New York, Mar. 9. A train hit a stationary wagon today at Berlin, Connecticut, killing Mrs Emily Whitaker and seven foster children ranging in age from seven to 14.

The accident occurred near the Whitaker home. Mrs Whitaker's husband John, who had just seen the children off for school, was watching in horror as the train struck.—AP.

Weather records tumble

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Hongkong, now facing its driest winter on record, made new weather records in February.

Not only was it the driest February since 1911, but it was

- ★ the sunniest since records started in 1884;
- ★ the least cloudy since 1884;
- ★ the warmest since 1915.

The Weather Bureau in its report on February also said that the average maximum—70.2 degrees—was a record.

And the absolute maximum—81.8 degrees—was second only to a temperature of 83 degrees in 1953.

Hongkong's record breaking weather is continuing into March. On Monday, the day's maximum temperature of 85.2 degrees was an all-time record.

Soviet forced labour camps

NATO REPORT SHOWS
1 MILLION PRISONERS
IN THE COUNTRY

London, March 8.
A Nato publication reported today that Soviet Russia still has an estimated one million forced labour prisoners in various parts of the country.

Despite considerable reductions in the past decade, and notably since the liberalisation policy of Premier Nikita Khrushchev, forced labour "still is an integral part of the Soviet system," it said.

The information was contained in the current issue of the Nato Letter, the monthly publication of the defence organisation, published under the authority of its Secretary General and released today through official channels.

One aspect of forced labour in Russia has been lately a growing tendency on the part of the authorities to "humanise" the system, the study added.

HISTORY

The study bases itself on evidence collected by the International Commission Against Concentration Camp Practices, with headquarters in Brussels. Soviet laws moreover corroborate the Commission's findings, the report said, that forced labour still is an integral part of the Soviet system. Its history dates back to 1918 when a decree directed that "class enemies" should be isolated in concentration camps which were set up a few months later.

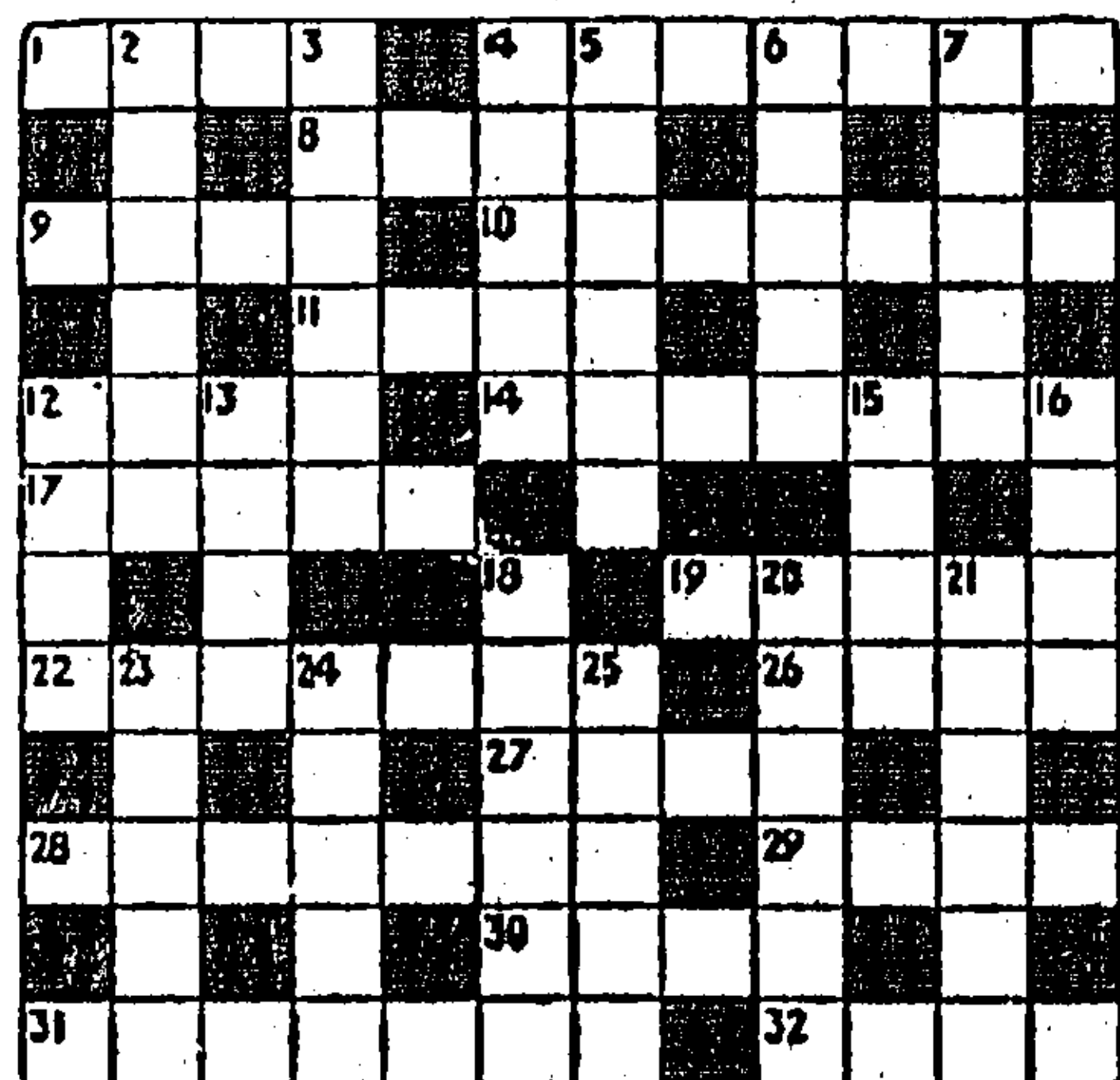
During Stalin's lifetime the forced labour camps were filled with "political prisoners" both guilty of active opposition to the regime and merely suspected of antagonism to the party.

The study said recent statements by Soviet leaders denying the continued existence of labour camps have been disproved. Among others, a number of Jehovah's witnesses were imprisoned a few months ago for "crimes against the state" consisting merely of practising their religion.—UPI.

Speeding

Bakersfield, Calif., Mar. 8.
California highway patrolman said that when he stopped motorist Harold Lester Towers, Porterville, California, and asked why he was driving 110 miles an hour, Towers explained: "I'm going to see my son who is in jail on a drunk charge."—UPI.

A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS

- 1 Distinctive smell (4).
- 4 Footing of the bill (7).
- 8 Felt remorse (4).
- 9 Part of a church (4).
- 10 What a beast to find on the way! (7).
- 11 Oriental potentate (4).
- 12 Break 'day' (4).
- 14 The folk in occupation as a rule (7).
- 17 People in a stew? (5).
- 19 No sail, but it may have to be raised before a ship can do so (5).
- 22 Is his choice a cross one? (7).
- 26 Water-gilt spot (4).
- 27 The other plate (4).
- 28 Vehicle which seems to have a front at the back (7).
- 29 They may part in a smile (4).
- 30 Like a painted ship upon a painted ocean (4).
- 31 Dare, Sir, to break up their unwelcome incursions (7).
- 32 Just the bird to swallow (4).

DOWN

- 2 Seem to be a different paper (5).
- 3 Colours that some people enjoy putting on! (5).
- 4 Ganger, for a fairly green-horn (5).
- 6 Was mad about (5).
- 8 Fashions a large number of poems (5).
- 9 So one may get it in the neck! (5).
- 12 Could be either high or low (4).
- 13 Something to drink we take in inside (4).
- 15 Farm animals (4).
- 16 Do! (4).
- 18 Cloth from a goat (5).
- 20 Is he who controls it a stern fellow? (5).
- 21 Half of this Syrian city is drunk (5).
- 23 Tropical climbing plant (5).
- 24 Somerset town (5).
- 25 Has a zipping time! (5).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.—Across: 1 Pecker, 5 Snail, 8 Dante, 9 He-man, 10 Reels, 11 Tread, 12 Hook, 13 Flora, 14 Poles, 15 Paled, 16 Enrol, 17 Ebb, 18 Woods, 19 Asset, 20 Record, 21 Slator, 22 Flat, 23 Lever, 24 Down, 1 Purchase, 2 Commoner, 3 Ed, 4 Run riot, 5 St-R.A.F.-ed, 6 Needle, 7 Jitter, 14 One by one, 15 Apostles, 16 Pajette, 17 Tendril, 18 Lo-Web, 21 Nufal, 24 Bore.

State vs foster parents for a 4-year-old genius

Trenton, N.J., Mar. 8.
A court struggle started today over the state's right to take an intellectually gifted 4-year-old girl from her foster parents whom the state considers unsuited to her.

The state says the intelligence of the foster parents is far below that of the near-genius child and that they will not be financially able to send her through college.

In arguments prepared for the Appellate Division of Superior Court, the Deputy Attorney General Mr. Eugene Urbanik said the foster parents have shown "callous indifference" to Child Welfare Board rules.

Samuel Epstein, lawyer for Mr and Mrs Richard Combs, said changing the child's home after four years with the Combs would "make an orphan out of the child."

He asked the court to overrule the State Child Welfare

Board on grounds of simple humanity.

He said it would break the heart of the child and the only parents she knows if she were placed in another home for adoption.

The Attorney General said the court had no power to substitute its opinion for the decision of the Child Welfare Board.

STIMULATE MENTALITY
The Child Welfare Board wants to put the girl in a home which it feels will be able to stimulate her near-genius mentality and provide financially for her full education.

The agency says the foster parents are more interested in television than literature and unable to afford college for the child on Combs' \$120-a-week salary.

But Mr Epstein said any state agency's decision is open to review by the courts.

The three-judge court reserved decision after questioning Epstein closely to see if he has any legal precedent to back up his request.

"I have no legal authority," he told Judge Edward T. Gouldin, head of the court panel.

The Child Welfare Board, he said, is seeking to place Alice Marie with people who are wealthy and more cultured than the Combs.

He said the Combs love Alice Marie, and have provided her with a good home.

He cited Abraham Lincoln's log-cabin birthplace as an example of a genius growing up in lowly circumstances.

The State Board is critical of the fact that there are few books in the Combs home. But books are no longer necessary for culture, Epstein declared.

"Anyone can go to the library to get his culture, without having dust collectors in the home," he said.

And television provides a wide range of programmes that can provide culture, he argued. "Have you any authority for that statement," Judge Gerald T. Foley asked wryly.—AP.

Sailor returns after given up as lost

Auckland, Mar. 8.
A bearded New Zealander, James Moore, 43, sailed his 30-foot yacht Drifter into Auckland last night—four months after he had been given up as lost at sea.

For the past two months, he said, he lived on a daily diet of one cupful of weevily rice and a pint of water. He had two handfuls of rice left.

Moore sailed from his home town of Wellington on a cruise to the Pacific islands last year. He left Starongia on August 10 to sail back to Wellington, and four and a half weeks later reached Cook Strait, a few miles from his destination.

DOWNPOUR

He said today that he could not fix his position, and spent more than two months trying to find Wellington harbour.

In the whole of the six months, he sighted land only once, and that was two months ago when he saw an island he thought as one of the Kermadec group.

Until a downpour a few weeks ago gave him plenty of rainwater, he had lived by distilling sea water in a pressure cooker.

He said he had spent most of his time reading and steering at the same time.—China Mail Special.

U.S.-Cuban ties at new low

Havana, Mar. 8.
The Castro Government tonight rejected the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr Christian A. Harter's protest against implications that the United States was involved in the Havana munitions ship explosion.

At the same time, the Government-controlled press and radio unleashed an unprecedented anti-American attack today and diplomatic relations between the two nations reached a new low.

Inquiry

Meanwhile an international commission today opened an investigation into the explosion on a munitions-laden French freighter in Havana harbour last Friday. More than 50 persons died in the blast.

Supporters of Prime Minister Fidel Castro clung tenaciously to his theory that the explosions were American-inspired sabotage.

Meanwhile in Washington President Eisenhower assured the American people that U.S. relationships with her sister republics of Latin America have—with very few exceptions—"reached an all-time high."

He added that "an over-firm partnership must be our goal." Mr Eisenhower was reporting in a prepared nationwide radio-

television address on the gruelling 18,500-mile goodwill mission to South America he completed on Monday.

He called it "a most instructive and rewarding experience."—UPI and AP.

Rumania frees newsmen

New York, Mar. 8.
Leonard Kirschen, former Associated Press correspondent in Bucharest who was arrested by Rumanian authorities on April 25, 1950, reported in a cable today he has been released. He said he returned to his Bucharest home on Friday.

A Rumanian citizen educated in Britain and Berlin, Kirschen was accused before a Communist court of spying for the United States and Britain.—AP.

Many welcome new bill on contempt of court

London, March 8.
Romantic young couples determined to marry despite judicial prohibition as well as journalists and all others who might some day be found guilty of contempt of court welcomed a new government bill recently submitted to the British Parliament softening the treatment of those found guilty of this offence.

At the present time condemnations on this count can sentence guilty persons for an indefinite period of time and no appeals to a higher court are allowed. If the bill is passed those condemned will have the right of appeal.

Several cases of contempt of court which have occurred in Britain in recent times, have attracted wide publicity.

BRITISH PRESS

Edward Langley spent several months in prison for marrying Catherine Dowsell after a British court had forbidden the marriage. Both Dominic Elvis and his bride Tessa Kennedy were imprisoned for having married in Scotland after the

London High Court had forbidden it.

The Editor-in-Chief of the London Daily Mirror spent several months in prison after the war for having published a murderer's confession before his trial was over.

The Lord Chief Justice found the publishing of the confession prejudicial to the defence of the accused man.

The British press is supporting the new bill energetically.—AP.

Snow in London

London, Mar. 8.
Cold southerly winds today brought snow showers to London and southeast England. More falls were expected during the day changing to rain tonight with warmer weather moving in from the west.—Reuters.

Deportation

Providence, R.I., Mar. 9.
William Woo, 46-year-old restaurateur has reached the end of his long legal fight against deportation to Hong-kong. The U.S. Supreme court today refused to review his case.—AP.

Sao Paulo, Mar. 8.
Sir Frederick Hoyer-Millar, permanent British Secretary for Foreign Affairs, arrived today by air. He had luncheon with the British Consul General, Mr James Surrey, and was to leave this evening for Rio de Janeiro.—AP.

BABY ACCESSORIES

CURITY DIAPERS
DISPOSABLE DIAPERS
BOTTLE BRUSH
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NURSERY TONGS
BOTTLE WARMERS
DIAPER PAILS
TERRY CLOTH PANTIES
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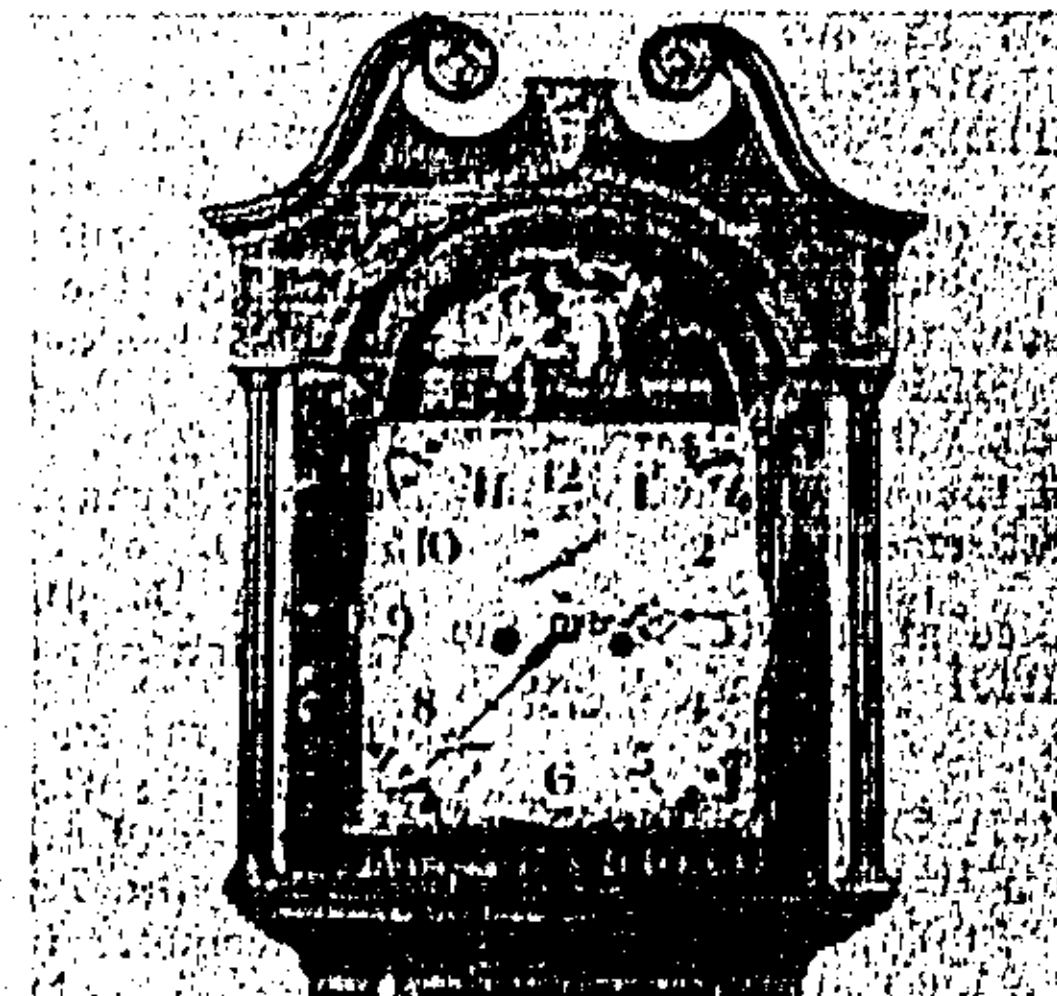
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LEAN YEARS OF THE 'THIRTIES

ON October 23, 1934, the Hon. Mr E. D. Wolfe, C.M.G. relinquished the office of Inspector-General of Police, having served 16 years in that capacity. He was succeeded by Thomas Henry King, Mr King knew the Colony well, having first arrived in Hongkong as a Police Probationer as early as December 17, 1904.

In spite of the depression, 1935 was a happy year which saw the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty King George V. Hongkong, as part of the Commonwealth and Empire celebrated the occasion in its own inimitable fashion, the outstanding events being those contributed by the Chinese community.

The organisation of the Chinese celebrations was placed in the hands of a Chinese festival committee under the chairmanship of the Secretary for Chinese Affairs.

The main contribution of the Chinese was the dragon and lion dance processions. Hongkong enjoyed real "King's" weather during the period of the 6th, 7th, and 8th of May, 1935, so it was that the processions made their way through dense crowds under most favourable conditions.

The processions started daily at 11 am from Kennedy Town, and covered a route stretching some eight to ten miles.

Three huge dragons were in the procession, a silver, a gold, and a multi-coloured, which measured 200, 120, and 225 feet long, respectively.

Also in the procession were ten lions, a tiger and unicorn, 46 ponies, and gun banners, palanquins, tabernacles, etc.

Huge crowds, unparallelled in the history of the Colony thronged the streets.

Over 200,000 persons visited the Colony to witness the celebrations. 85,588 arrived by river steamers and junk at Connaught Road Quay between the 1st and 8th of May, while the Kowloon-Canton Railway brought in 24,064 during the period 4th to 11th of May.

When dark fell, the huge fish and bird lanterns of the Chinese, and an illuminated flying dragon, obtained much admiration from the huge crowds.

Everywhere there were huge throngs of people gathered at various points of vantage to see the illuminations, firework displays, night flying, and the Military and Naval reviews.

Unruly

Every available member of the Police and Police Reserve was called out for duty to cope with the situation. Monthly leave was stopped over the period, and the Police had to work hard and long under trying conditions in controlling the traffic and pedestrians.

Others were on the lookout for pickpockets and unruly elements who might seek the occasion to their own advantage.

In the main, patience, good temper, and reasonable give and take carried off the affair with marked success. No serious accidents marred the Festival.

For the record, six minor traffic accidents were reported, and one Chinese youth who sought to entertain the crowd with a seditious speech, was arrested, but he was merely bound over by the Magistrate. The Police put up such a fine job during the Jubilee that a letter of appreciation was sent to them by His Excellency the Governor.

Just before the Jubilee, a most ingenious racket was uncovered by the Police.

Some time, at some place, it must have occurred to someone that next to owning your own bus company, the next best thing would be to sell your tickets on someone else's buses. So it happened, for on April 15, 1935, systematic raids by the Police on a large number of buses operated by the Kowloon Motor Bus Company and the subsequent search of three houses, produced two machines for printing tickets together with a number of forged tickets.

Results

Charges of conspiracy, possession of, and uttering forged bus tickets were preferred against fifteen arrested suspects.

The results left seven defendants without worry about the next year's board and lodging; another received six months, and four were awarded three months. Hard labour was thrown in with the sentences.

Detective Inspector Dorling was commended by the Inspector-General of Police for his careful investigation of the case.

1936 found the Colony still struggling under the oppression of world-wide trade depression.

The HONGKONG POLICE

By JOHN LUFF

The outstanding events in the Police Force during this year were a number of "first" occasions.

For the first occasion, a Guard of Honour, composed of officers from the Hongkong Police was drawn up at Queen's Pier, under the command of A. S. P. Mr. L. H. C. Culthorpe, on the day of the Honorable Colonial Secretary, Sir Thomas Southern, K.B.E., C.M.G., on May 2, 1936.

Another first occasion was when a detachment from the Hongkong Police and Police Reserve, consisting of three Companies under the command of Superintendent Sparrow participated in the Coronation Review on the occasion of the birthday of His Majesty the King, June 23, 1936.

Lives

On August 17, 1936, the Police were busy again. This time it was a typhoon which struck the Colony.

The ss "Sunning" went ashore and was wrecked at Tiu Keng Wan, Junk Bay. The No. 1 Police Launch was first upon the scene and rendered valuable rescue work. No lives were lost.

Meanwhile a party of students took shelter in a nullah

at Babington Path. A sudden rush of storm water swept down from the hills, and in a moment, they were overwhelmed. Seven of them were drowned.

At Stanley, a large matchless accommodating 160 persons was torn away by the wind. Three persons were killed.

The roof of No. 35 Jardine's Bazaar collapsed before the gale. Two persons were killed and ten were injured.

When the typhoon was gone, 51 bodies were picked up or washed ashore.

During this time of trouble, the Police carried out rescue work throughout the Colony.

In July, 1937, cholera struck the Colony. The Police Force was called upon to assist the Health Services in their arrangements to combat the disease.

The Police were stationed at the Railway Station and wharves. All incoming passengers were medically examined, and were made to submit to inoculation when necessary as a condition of being permitted entry to the Colony.

Sixteen inoculation centres were opened, and large crowds availed themselves of the free service. The Police were called upon to control the crowds.

At such a time, even greater vigilance was used in respect of the itinerant food hawkers selling food wares which were likely to spread the disease.

In taking firm action, the Police were called upon to undertake yet another unhappy task, totally misunderstood by the ignorant food salesmen and their equally ill-informed customers.

A need

During this epidemic, 1,081 persons died. For the record, two Europeans are included among that number. The Force lost P.C. D202 P. C. Hui who died from cholera.

The fine work performed by the Police during this period earned another commendation from His Excellency the Governor.

The Police Sports Ground, so well known to us at Boundary Street, was set aside for the Police. It met a long-expressed need, but such was the economy of the Colony immediately before World War II that levelling off the Boundary Street ground could not commence until 1937.

We jump a year to complete the record of this item. The new Police Sports Ground was opened by His Excellency the Governor on October 10, 1938.

Unfortunately, no pavilion was provided, and the lack somewhat marred the gift.

However, a very public-spirited Chinese gentleman came along with a gift of \$20,000, to build a pavilion which would accommodate all contingents.

But even this gift was some \$7,000 short of the sum required, so the same Chinese gentleman dipped again into his pocket, and contributed the extra money. The generous donor was the late Mr. Du Tong Sen.

The value of his gift cannot be over-estimated, for all who used the Sports Ground can testify.

Strange

In May, 1937, the Police were up against one of these strange complicated affairs which require a certain aptitude of mind, and considerable knowledge of the east, to appreciate.

On May 13, 1937, Mr. Chan Lai-chun, the manager of the Sincere Company, Hongkong, alighted from a bus in Prince Edward Road, Kowloon. As he was crossing the road, a Chinese male ran from under the shelter of a verandah, and stabbed Mr. Chan in the back. The wound was fatal.

Now the Police were certain that an attack, carried out in such a manner, under such circumstances, was the work of a hired assassin.

Then began the long laborious task of enquiry, search, and patient elimination of all irrelevant leads.

Working on this principle, the Police picked up two

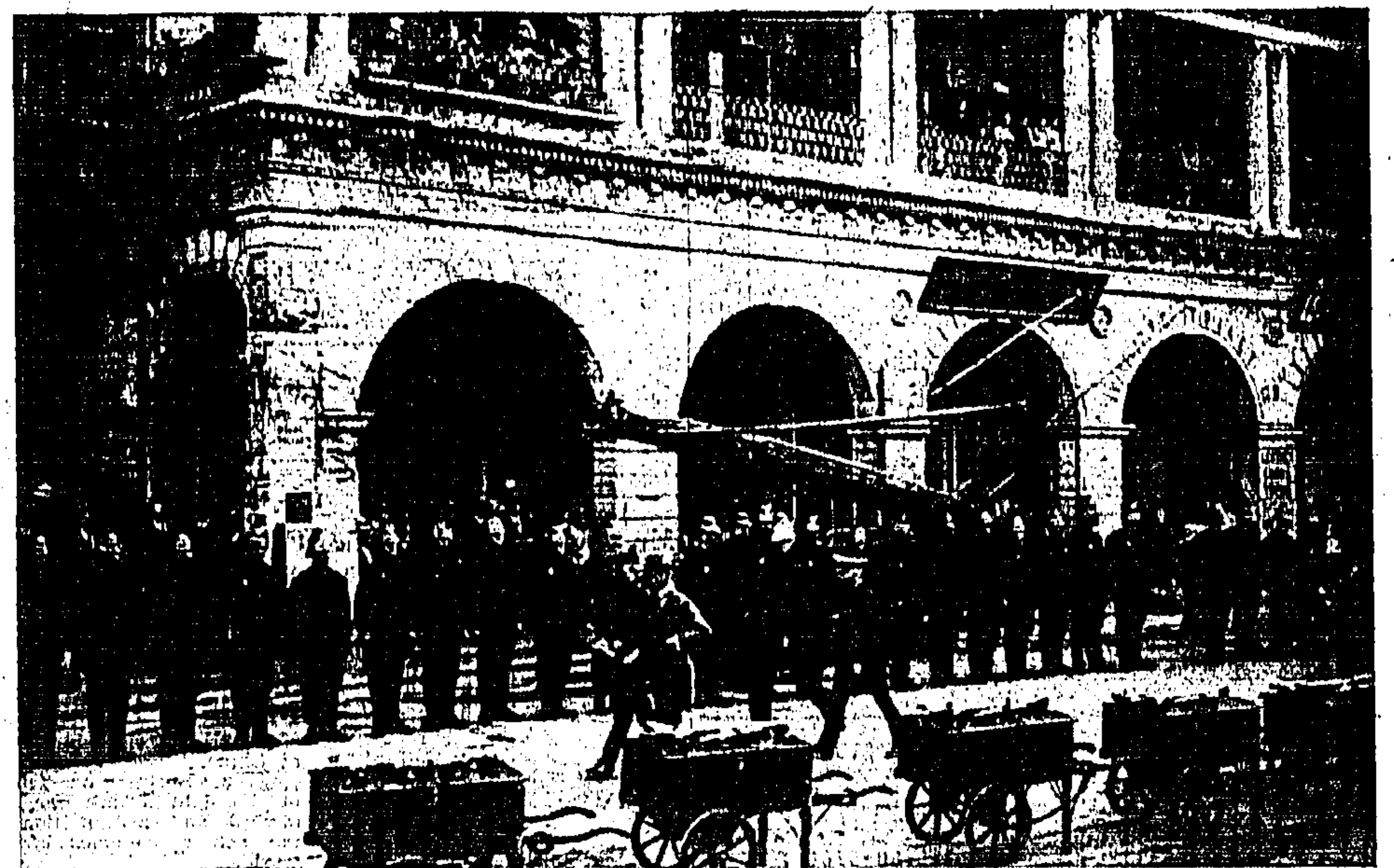
Chinese males who admitted having taken part in hiring the assassin. This led to the arrest of a further two Chinese males, one of whom was the actual murderer.

The two men first arrested elected to give evidence for the Crown. The latter two were charged with murder, and being an accessory before the fact, respectively.

On September 13, 1937, Au Hing was sentenced to death, while Li Fook-chung, charged as an accessory, was acquitted.

The surprising thing about all this is, your local hired assassin follows gangdom's universal ethic. Yes, they squeal all right, but never reveal who pointed the finger. It is better, however, that a business dispute provided the motive for this distasteful action.

Now the shadow of war creeps remorselessly onwards, but in 1937, none seemed to read with any accuracy the shape of things looming just ahead.



When the Police and Fire Brigade were one. Scene at the old Beaconsfield Arcade. The Bijou Cinema is advertised on the post first left.

As a matter of fact, it was, to change the metaphor, an ill-wind that blew the Colony some good.

Owing to the advance of the Japanese Imperial Army through China the Yangtze Valley trade was diverted and linked at the end of 1937 with the Canton-Kowloon Railway.

Early in 1938, Chinese Maritime Customs showed that half the trade of China was being handled by the Colony. This fell off a little as Shanghai trade revived, but even so....

Swept

Then, on October 12, 1938, the Japanese landed troops at Blas Bay.

Once again the refugees were on the march, and they swept across the frontier in thousands, and again Hongkong rose to meet the needs of these unfortunate people.

Actually, it was on October 10, 1938, that information filtered through to Hongkong of a possible Japanese landing at Blas Bay. The next day, the Police were told to stand by in readiness to man the border.

At 11.00 on the 12th, orders were received for Police to man all border posts and be in a position fully equipped by 5.30 p.m. the same day.

Men from stations all over the Colony were sent to assist in this duty. The same day, with the help of the Controller of Stores and the Medical Department, large amounts of stores and camp

equipment were assembled at Central Compound, and transported to the New Territories by van and train. The Royal Army Ordnance Corps also rendered valuable assistance by supplying tents, a field kitchen, and other equipment outside the scope of the Police Stores.

On October 13 the Kowloon-Canton highway was closed. On the 15th, the railway service beyond Shum Chun was discontinued. Canton fell on October 21.

It was over another month, however, before there were any incidents on the border when, on November 24, 20,000 refugees crossed over into British Territory.

At 8.00 p.m. on November 25, about 200 armed Chinese soldiers also entered British Territory, and according to the rules of war, were interned.

War

On November 26, fighting became general along the border from Shum Chun to a point near Shatukok. The Shum Chun wireless station was shelled by the Japanese.

A shell landed in British Territory at Liu Pok Village, wounding three persons, one of whom died. Later the same day, many Chinese soldiers were forced into British Territory, while a number were rounded up in Un Long.

As the Japanese advanced on Lo Wu, bullets fell freely in British Territory.

Two Police Officers narrowly escaped death when a shell exploded near their motorcycle.

On two occasions, Japanese detachments crossed into British Territory, but retired after representations were made by British Police and Military authorities.

Shum Chun finally fell at noon on November 26 and more Chinese refugees swarmed across the border.

Relief

Many emergency relief camps were set up by various Hongkong charitable organisations to care for these unfortunate people. A matched camp was erected at Pat Heung, which eventually sheltered 5,000 refugees.

As the Japanese troops drove further into China, the refugees crossed the frontiers in even larger numbers.

Railway trucks were rushed to Fungling, and provided a temporary home for another 4,000 refugees.

In spite of an efficient policing system in the urban areas, refugees were landed by junk at dead of night, and wandered into the villages to find some comfort with distant relatives.

On November 27, the Police handed over control of the Shatukok blockhouse to the Military, along with posts at Man Kiu Tsai and Lo Wu, and two days later handed over all their border posts.

The Police, however, were retained in reserve until December 6 when conditions were

considered suitable to the Police resuming full control again.

If an interpolation will be forgiven here, this writer who has delved fairly deeply into some of the Colony's records, is amazed to find that so little of this humane work is mentioned in one or two best sellers of the period, which mention so much the "stiffness of the English" but very little of their humanity.

The fall of Canton also brought about a fall in the trade of the Colony. On the other hand, many of the Chinese refugees were by no means destitute, and by their wealth, ability, and general well-being, added much to the pattern of the Colony's economic life.

The demand for vacant properties exceeded the supply. Up went the rents, and the old occupier was a nuisance. To prevent exploitation, a Prevention of Eviction Ordinance was passed.

The supply of labour was now well in excess of demand, and many of the destitute refugees were in an awful plight, but the eyes of the world were turned towards Germany where Hitler was about to establish his Reich which would last a thousand years.

Hongkong was packed to the doors. The hotels were bursting. And Hongkong was also the main port of entry to China.

SATURDAY

Decline and rise



M.K. THE POSTMAN



Private Line

by Chapman
Pincher

THE COLUMN OF DISCLOSURE... THIS WEEK ON THE DETERRENT

The costly race to have a telling missile

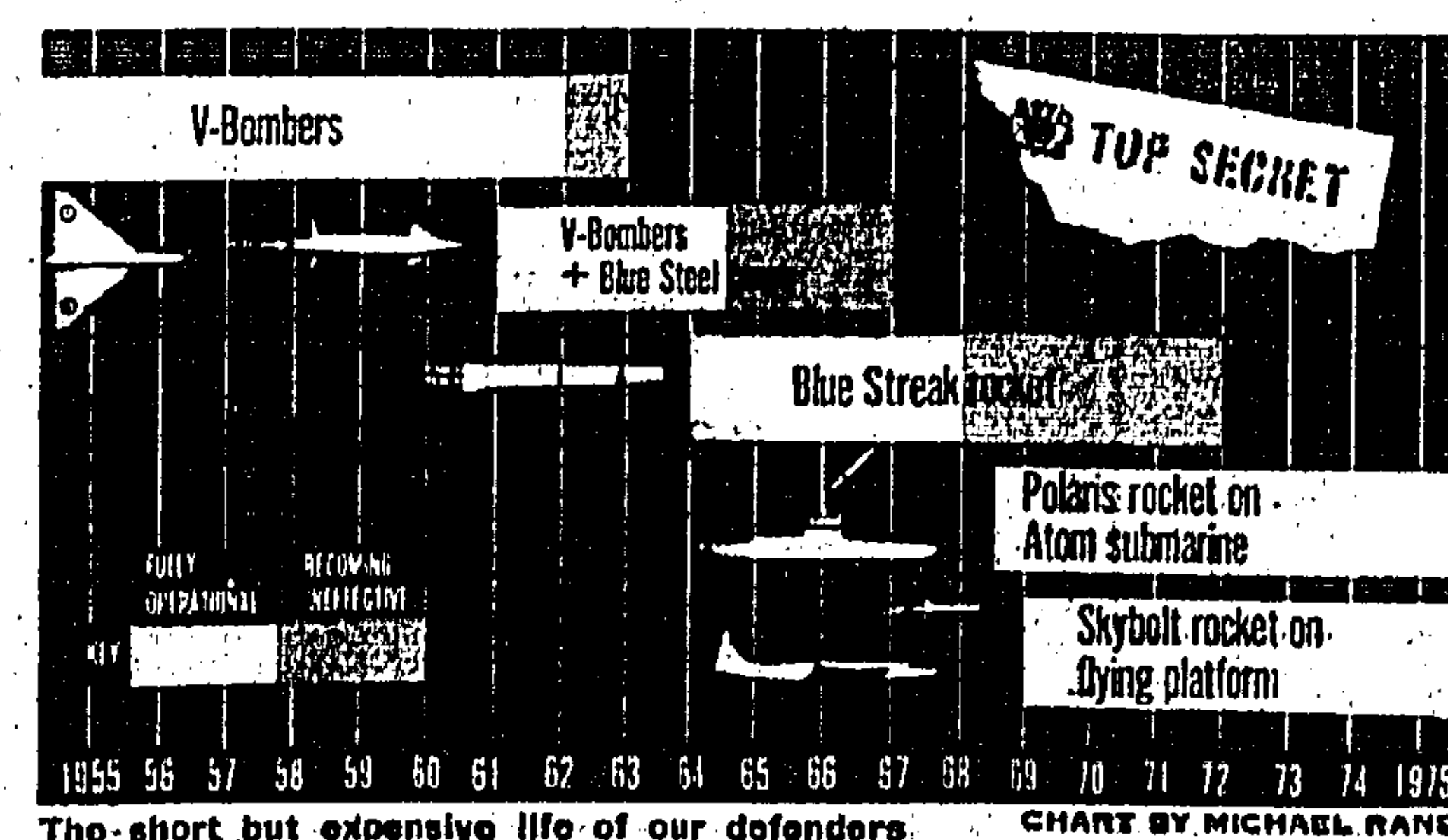
THIS CHART, compiled from information made available to Private Line, clears up the confusion about the British Government's programme for maintaining an independent stockpile of deterrent weapons, now costing British taxpayer £150 million a year.

First step in building up the deterrent was the development of the V-BOMBER FORCE which went into squadron service in 1955 and has been gradually growing since.

High and fast

Defence chiefs estimate that Victor and Vulcan bombers designed to drop the H-bomb directly over their targets will start becoming ineffective in 1962 because by then Russian anti-aircraft defences will be able to shoot them down.

So the bombers are to be given further life by fitting them with BLUE STEEL, a self-propelled H-bomb which can be launched outside the range of A.A. defences. This combination will become increasingly ineffective after 1964 because of the improving performance of the Russian A.A. missiles.



The short but expensive life of our defenders.

In 1964 the Government plans to install BLUE STREAK, an H-bomb-carrying rocket travelling too fast and too high to be intercepted by known means. Blue Streak will become increasingly ineffective as a deterrent after 1968 because by then the Russians will have so many rockets that they could knock out the Blue Streak launching sites in a surprise attack. So the Government plans to bring in a mobile weapon.

Likeliest candidate is POLARIS, an H-bomb-carrying rocket fired from a submarine.

Polaris is far advanced in the U.S. but because atomic submarines must first be built to carry it the Royal Navy has no chance of getting it in service before 1970.

Carrying on...

The alternatives is SKYBOLT, an H-bomb rocket with the height and speed of Blue Streak, but launched from a plane. This is also unlikely to be available to Britain before 1970. By cutting out Blue Streak now the Government

could save £200 million, but this would leave Britain without an effective independent deterrent between 1965 and 1969. So Britain has decided to carry on with Blue Streak, meanwhile keeping watch on Polaris and Skybolt to see which would make the better successor—if one will still be needed after the disarmament talks.

BLOOD RESEARCH

Evidence that some forms of the blood-clotting disease leukaemia may be caused by an ultra-

microscopic germ is growing as a result of work by British scientists.

Dr. Myer Salaman of the London Hospital, and Dr. J. F. Miller of the Chester Beatty Institute have shown that leukaemia can be transmitted from one mouse to another. Indeed, the infecting agent is transmitted so easily that it is spreading spontaneously from mouse to mouse in the experimental animal houses.

There is no evidence that this particular agent causes leukaemia in humans but the scientists are taking no chances since it proved capable of affecting hamsters.

So far, they have found no way of combating even "milder" leukaemia but they have found that a gland at the base of the neck called the thymus may play a part in bringing on leukaemia in children.

FIT FOR HEROES..

In a magazine account of the fight to put out the Windscale uranium fire, to be published in the U.S. shortly, the author ended: "Thus a handful of Englishmen saved Britain." Irishman Tom Tuohy, Sir Leonard Owen, and Tom Hughes, some of the chief heroes, objected so strongly to this ending that it has now been switched to "Thus a handful of Britons saved England."

WOMANSENSE

JACOBY on BRIDGE

WHEN you find yourself in an impossible contract it is good policy to put the best face possible on the matter and save your expressions of disgust until the last card is played.

Joe Daniel of Belle Vernon, Penn., felt that his hand was worth one more bid after his partner's three club response to his second double and his choice was the unfortunate one of three hearts.

North was so glad not to be doubled that he passed. West opened his singleton club and Joe saw that he was in the worst

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♦ 5	
♣ J 8 7 5 4 3 2	
WEST EAST (D)	
♠ Q 3	♠ 10 4
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♦ K 10 7 4	♦ A Q 9 8
♣ 6	♣ A Q
SOUTH	
♠ A K J 9	
♥ A K J 10	
♦ 3 2	
♣ K 10 9	
No one vulnerable	
East South West North	
1 ♠ Double 2 ♠ Pass	
Pass Double Pass 3 ♠	
Pass 3 ♥ Pass Pass	
Opening lead—♠ 6	

possible contract but even the strangest birds come home to roost and look what happened.

East took his ace of clubs and gave his partner a ruff. A diamond return was won by East's ace and now East played a spade.

Joe went up with the ace and made the inspired play of the heart ten. West thought a while and played small whereupon Joe made the rest of the tricks by the simple expedient of drawing trumps and running dummy's clubs.

North and South could have made game in either spades or clubs but all was forgotten while East and West argued about how many tricks they could have set the actual three heart contract.

CARD SENSE

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
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You, South, hold:
♠ Q J 3 2 ♠ 5 4 ♠ A 8 7 ♠ A K 4 3
What do you do?
A—Bid two no-trump or three no-trump if you feel ambitious. Your partner has made a strong bid and your hand appears suitable for no-trump play.

TODAY'S QUESTION
You do bid two no-trump and your partner goes to three clubs. What do you do now?
Answer Tomorrow

KEEP IN TRIM AGE CAN BE A SECRET

By IDA JEAN KAIN

KEEPING young is a fascinating subject, particularly since a "young" woman today may be any age. Ah, yes, forty is beautifully young and fifty is just high noon of life.

In case you're interested, what can help you look a decade younger than your birthday? Normal weight with a slim supple waist, a firm throatline, and a young posture. And all are within your reach.

So let's go at keeping young head first. It's only proper head carriage that can counteract gravity and keep those trailing chin muscles firmly on the job. The rule is to carry your head squarely on your shoulders with the line of the back of the neck almost straight and the tip of the chin level. Proud head carriage prevents that bell-shaped sign of age, dowager's hump.

In the posture line-up, one thing leads to another. With perfect head carriage, shoulders are squared, but relaxed, which in turn lifts the chest to a normal high position. Summed up, posture is the backbone of a young figure. We think of posture as bending with age. There it is... slump and you look your age or older. Correction here, however, is to bend the knees that do the bending, it's a habit. If you live to be 100, you need not be bent with age!



Keep supple, keep young

Let's get on to that slim, supple middle measurement.... here again it is a matter of counteracting gravity. The coordinated action of the hip muscles and the girdle muscles keep the centre of gravity, the pelvic girdle, on the beam. The best exercise is the continual practice of the up-and-in pull of the abdominals and the down-and-under pull of the hip muscles. It's those big middle muscles that lift the figure. For keeping supple there is nothing to beat stretching and side-bending. Try it....

Position: Standing, feet apart, arms arched overhead, head up. Group right wrist firmly with left hand.

Action: Bend slowly toward the left side, centering the pull through the midsection, increasing the bend by pulling strongly with left hand. Repeat bending to the right and perform 8 to 12 counts slowly. Be sure to pull snugly up-and-in with the middle muscles and pull down and under firmly with the hip muscles as you bend.

This exercise makes for suppleness and a willowy waist and young movements too.



THE LOOK MEDITERRANEAN—Pictures by Derek Stubbs

Four faces for Summer 1960

by JILL BUTTERFIELD



THE LOOK EFFICIENT



THE LOOK EXOTIC



THE LOOK GLAMOROUS

WHETHER you've got your man or are getting him, or you are a mother with six children behind you, I present my tactical exercise in the oldest game of all—divining his favourite type and being it.

Basic ingredients: a switch of false hair, a drawerful of accessories, a battery of make-up.

● If he's a man who likes French films, all wines and guitar music, the 1960 look you'll aim at is Mediterranean. Grow your hair as long as you can (a long switch of false hair is quicker).

Buy a pair of gilt gipsy earrings. Use a dark red lipstick applied with a lip brush, taking it right into the corners of the mouth to make your lips as full as possible.

Wear an apricot-coloured foundation cream under a dark powder. Eyebrows follow the natural curve. Eyeshadow—one of the new browns.

● If he's a man with memories of a sizzling week-end in Singapore: If he reads Suzie Wong and thinks fashion begins with silk skirts, the 1960 look you'll aim at is exotic and Oriental. File your switch of false hair in-

to a high-placed chignon, use lots of black eyebrow pencil. Paint your eyebrows in a dark diagonal line, reduce your lipstick to a pale pink glimmer, shadow your eyes with a diagonal slanting silver eyeliner.

● If he's a man who visibly drools over Ava Gardner, likes the sultriest perfume you wear, always looks twice when you're wearing that low-cut little black,

the 1960 look you'll aim at is glamorous.

Wear a pale, pale make-up, as much jewellery as you can beg, borrow or steal (well, it depends how hard you're trying). Keep eyebrows simple, lashes long (practise applying false ones in private first). Lips: a deep clear red.

● If he's a man who admires the girls in the toothpaste ads,

tells you that you look like his sister, and asks your shorthand speed, the 1960 look you'll aim at is efficient.

Put your savings into a super pair of spectacles (plain glass if you have perfect sight), a big white collar, and a weekly visit to the hairdresser. Wear a school-girl glow (harder to achieve than a thick mask, best method is to pat your make-up with damp cotton wool), a pink lipstick, little nail varnish. (London Express Service).

CHILDREN'S CORNER

The Bubble That Burst

—Knarf Discovers Appearances Can Be Deceptive—

By MAX TRELL

"WELL! Just look at you. You're soaking wet!" Hanid, the Shadow Girl with the Turned About Name, said, as she looked at her brother, Knarf.

He was standing in the doorway. Around his feet was a small pool of water. His clothes, his face, his hair were dripping wet.

Without wasting any time, to find out what had happened to Knarf, Hanid took a big towel and started to rub her brother dry. She made him change his clothes.

Finally, when Knarf was completely dry again, Hanid sat him down in front of her.

"Now," she said, "tell me what happened. How did you get so wet?"

An accident

"It was an accident," said Knarf. "An accident?" repeated Hanid. "Did you fall in the pond in the park trying to catch Goldfish?"

"No," said Knarf. "Did you go wading in the fountain at the entrance to the park?" said Hanid. "Is that why you got so wet?"

Knarf shook his head.

"I wasn't even near the park."

"What happened?" demanded Hanid. "What kind of an accident did you have?"

"I fell in the tub," said Knarf.

"The bathtub?" said Hanid.

"No," said Knarf. "I fell in the washub."

Washday for Katybell

"Now look here, Knarf," said Hanid. "How could you fall in the washub? It's full of soapy water and clothes. Katybell is doing the washing today! How could you even get near the washub?"

Knarf took a deep breath.

"Well," he said, "I was watching Katybell rubbing and squeezing the clothes. I sat

myself down in the corner and watched her. She seemed to be having a wonderful time. She was singing and smiling as she worked.

"I said to myself, 'If she's having so much fun washing those clothes, I'd like to wash some clothes, too.'"

When she heard Knarf say this, Hanid broke into a smile herself.

"So you tried it?"

"Yes," said Knarf. "So I tried it!"

"I waited until Katybell walked out of the room for a minute. Then I jumped up to the edge of the washub. I looked down into the tub. I could see the clothes swimming around. There were wonderful big soap bubbles. The whole tub seemed to be full of those wonderful bubbles."

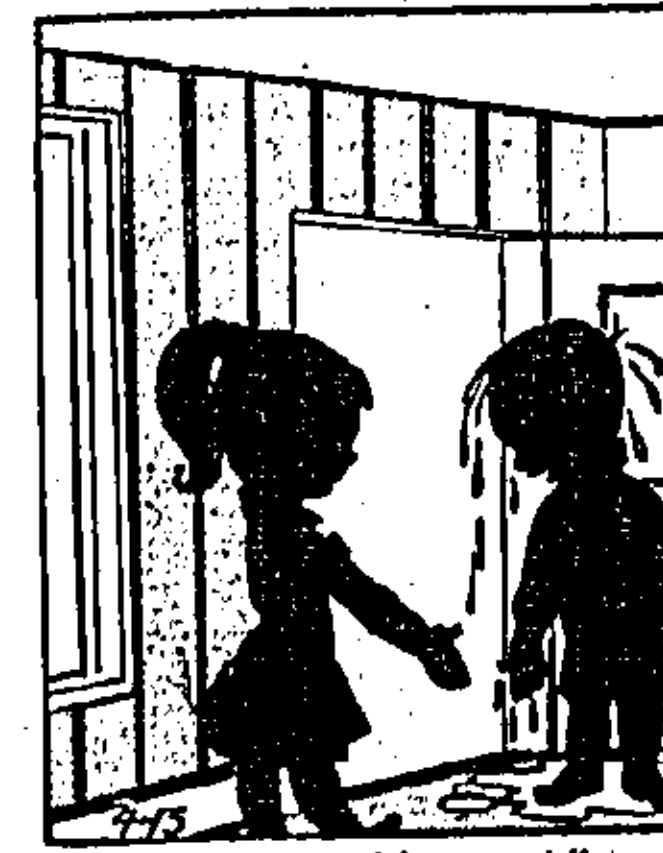
"No wonder Katybell is so happy," I said to myself. "She's playing with all those soap bubbles and having fun."

He fell in

"Then I reached down to get an armful of them. I was going to take them into my room, and bounce them all over."

"What happened when you reached in to take an armful of those soap bubbles?" said Hanid.

"I wasn't even near the



"You're soaking wet," Hanid said to Knarf.

"What happened?" said Knarf. "What else could have happened? I fell in!"

Knarf made a sad face as he added:

"I thought I would bounce right back as soon as I hit those bubbles. But I didn't. I fell right down to the bottom of the tub. The soap got in my eyes and ears."

"To make everything worse, Katy came back at that minute and grabbed hold of me as I hung on to a shirt. Do you know what she did to me?"

"I can guess," said Hanid. "She wrung you out!"

Knarf nodded.

"And it hurt!"

Hanid, instead of feeling sorry for her brother, just laughed and laughed.

Rupert and the Windies—23



Opening his eyes for a moment as he dives downwards Rupert sees two Windies desperately trying to reach him. "I don't think we shall do it," says one of them, with his flying (fill) working at full pressure. "Flying upwards is no trouble to us, but flying down-

wards is terribly hard work and you're falling faster and faster." Rupert can feel the air rushing past him. Shutting his eyes again he plunges through a cloud and so, as he hurtles downwards, he is prevented from seeing what else is now in the sky.

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England can win W. Indies Test series by taking the fourth match starting today

Georgetown, Mar. 9.

The fourth cricket Test match between England and the West Indies starting here today may well decide the result of the series.

A win by England would give them the rubber. In the case of a draw, West Indies would need a win in the next Test to draw the series. A win by the West Indies would leave the issue completely open until the final and in that event, deciding Test to be played in Trinidad at the end of the month.

The West Indies have banked on class and experience at the expense of promising youngsters, by persuading Walcott to come

out of his self-imposed retirement and also recalling Worrell, now recovered from injury. This should give increased solidity to the batting whilst slowing down the fielding. In view of Walcott's record form, and Worrell's all-round value, this seems to be a risk well worth taking.

UNOFFICIAL TEST

Australia beat New Zealand by 8 wickets

Dunedin, Mar. 8. Bobby Simpson, with an unbeaten 129, steered the Australian eleven to an eight wickets victory over New Zealand on the fourth and last day of the third unofficial Test here today.

The Australians, set to make 200 in just over five hours, reached their target with two hours to spare to take the lead in the series. The first two unofficial Tests in the four-match series were drawn. Earlier, New Zealand carried their overnight total of 257 for nine to 245 all out, Jack Alabusier and John Sparling adding 34 for the last wicket. Sparling was unbeaten with 60.

SCORES

Scores were: New Zealand—163 and 245 (J. T. Sparling 60 not out, J. L. Reid 42, R. Grant 46 for 90, F. Mission four for 40). Australia eleven—200 (B. Booth 50, K. Hough three for 41) and 209 for two (R. Simpson 129 not out, I. D. Craig 48).—Reuter.

Archie Moore signs up for title fight

New York, Mar. 8.

Archie Moore signed up today for Feature Sports Inc. through manager Jack Kearns to defend his light heavyweight crown against Erich Schoepner of Germany this summer.

No date or site was specified. The contract guaranteed.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB

Notice to Members

Australian Subscription Ponies 1961

The Stewards have ordered a batch of 110 Australian Subscription Ponies to race in 1961 and they now invite Members to subscribe for them.

The cost per pony to Subscribers will be HK\$3,500; which sum includes delivery to the date of acceptance by the Stewards.

Applications forms may be obtained from the Secretary's Office, Alexandra House, 8th Floor.

All subscriptions must be paid by cheque and application forms must be signed by all Subscribers in the presence of the Secretary at the Club Offices, Alexandra House.

The Subscription List will close at Noon on Wednesday, 23rd March, 1960.

By Order of the Stewards,
A. E. ARNOLD,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 9th Mar. 1960.

Ramadhin doubtful

There is once more some doubt about the fitness of Ramadhin, but his complaints have a mysterious way of disappearing on the morning of a match. Should he stand down, off-spinner Gibbs will replace him. The inclusion again of slow left-hander Singh indicates that the West Indies selectors have little faith in Sobers as a bowling prospect.

The West Indies team will be: Hunte, McMorris, Kanhai, Sobers, Walcott, Worrell, Alexander, Singh, Ramadhin, Hall, Watson.

Despite its long tail, this will be the strongest team England have faced in the course of their present tour.

England's misfortunes, which began when May had to withdraw were accentuated by minor injuries to Trueman, whilst Barrington and Cowdrey were laid up with bronchitis and a cold.

England team

Fortunately for England, the latter three are now fit enough to be included in the team.

Sobers Row has received his reward for some good innings in coming in for May. The loss of the English captain is of course irreparable and puts an added burden on Cowdrey, the team's leading batsman, who also becomes its field captain.

If England win the toss, Subba Row may well bat No. 3, followed by Dexter and Smith, thus giving Barrington a chance of an extra day's rest.

Paris will be 12th man unless a further emergency arises. The fact that the fitness of two of his six bowlers is suspect is not the least of Cowdrey's worries.

The English team will be: Cowdrey, Pullar, Subba Row, Dexter, Smith, Barrington, Illingworth, Allen, Swetman, Trueman, Statham. The only change from the previous Test is that Subba Row comes in for May.

The strengthening of the home team allied to England's misfortunes have tilted the odds in favour of the West Indies who have their best chance yet of winning.—AFP.

FRENCH FROGMAN BEGINS 800-MILE SWITZERLAND TO NORTH SEA SWIM

Schaffhausen, Mar. 8.

A French frogman jumped into the icy Rhine River today to begin a Switzerland-to-the-North Sea swim and judging by past performances, he should be able to accomplish it without much trouble.

Seth wins two W. Bengal shuttle titles

Calcutta, Mar. 8. T. M. Seth, India's No. 2 badminton player, won two titles in the West Bengal State Championships today.

His opponent in the singles final, Borong Pan, came from Thailand, retired in the first game with knee cramp. Seth was leading 4-1 at the time.

Seth and Gajanan Hemnady, also of India, won the men's doubles, defeating the Thai pair of Chinn and Rathi Kanchana 15-11, 8-15, 15-10.—Reuter.

European title bout for Charnley

Milan, Mar. 8. Italy's European lightweight boxing champion Mario Vucichelli will defend his title against England's Dave Charnley at Wembley Stadium, London, on March 29, it was announced here today.—AFP.

Elected to Canada's Hall of Fame

Ottawa, Mar. 8. Unne Heggtveit, Canadian winner of the Olympic Slalom gold medal, has been elected to Canada's Hall of Fame, it was announced today.

Her father, Mr Hal Heggtveit, also confirmed that the 21-year-old champion had retired from competitive skiing.—Reuter.

Peruvians draw in Singapore

Singapore, Mar. 8. The Peruvian soccer team was held to a 1-1 draw tonight in their last match here. The tourists were pulled up by the referee for several infringements in an action-packed game with a Singapore Government Services side. Eleven thousand people watched the game.—AP.

Gift of a car refused

Hinterzarten, Mar. 8. Fearing that his amateur status would be endangered, German village postman Georg Thoma has refused a car which the inhabitants of his home village of Hinterzarten in the Black Forest had brought him to mark his winning the Nordic Ski Combine at the recent Squaw Valley Olympics.

Thoma found the car—a small red one—when he returned from Squaw Valley awaiting him at Munich Airport.

The villagers of Hinterzarten had all subscribed to buy it on hearing of his success.—AFP.

All aboard for abroad

In addition to England's matches in Madrid and Budapest and England "Under 23's" matches in Warsaw, East Berlin and Tel-Aviv, League clubs who intend to make overseas trips this coming summer are Manchester United (USA and Canada), Burnley (New York), Tranmere (Elire), Coventry (Portugal), Fulham (Italy), Leeds (Germany), Birmingham (Spain), Sheffield Wednesday (Russia), Cardiff (Switzerland), West Ham (Holland, Switzerland and Germany), Blackburn (Belgium and France), Preston (South Africa) and, possibly Wolves and Bolton.—Barrows Service.

SUGAR RAY'S TUNEUP FIGHT

Baltimore, Mar. 8. Sugar Ray Robinson, dethroned as middleweight boxing champion in January, will fight here next month in a tuneup for his return title bout with Paul Pender.

Promoter Al Florin announced today that the 39-year-old Robinson will oppose Tony Baldoni in a 10-rounder at the Coliseum on April 2.

Robinson has not fought since he lost the title to Pender on January 22 on a split decision. The return match has been set for Boston on April 29.—AP.

ANOTHER FLASH WINS CHAMPION HURDLE RACE

Cheltenham, Mar. 8.

Mr J. J. Byrne's Irish six-year-old Another Flash, favourite at 11 to 4, won the Champion Hurdle Challenge Cup on the first day of the National Hunt Festival Meeting here today.

Points win for Wally Swift

London, Mar. 9. Wally Swift, British welter-weight champion, tonight grabbed a narrow points decision over former world champion Virgil Atkins of the U.S. in a ten-rounder at London's Indoor Wembley Stadium.

Swift, 23-year-old Briton who captulated to fame last December by outpointing South Africa's Willie Toweel, weighed 147½ pounds and Atkins 148½ pounds.

There were no knockdowns but Swift was worried slightly by a bleeding nose damaged from combination punches from the ring-experienced Atkins in the fourth round.—AP.

Downes triumphs

London, Mar. 9. Terry Downes, British middle-weight champion, tonight defeated Carlos Van Nester of Belgium when the referee stopped the scheduled 10 rounder after two minutes 28 seconds of the fourth round. Downes sent the Belgian slumping to the canvas midway through the fourth round for a count of eight with a combination punch.

The Belgian staggered to his feet and immediately ran into another barrage of punches from the British champion. Downes forced Nester to the ropes and then sent the Belgian to the floor with a right on the jaw.

That was when British referee Tommy Little stepped in and stopped the fight.—AP.

Two rugby matches at Boundary Street today

By PAK LO

Of the three rugby games scheduled for this afternoon, one is definitely cancelled, one is a very shaky starter, and the third is definitely on. Or that at least was the position when this article was written. Anything could happen in the meantime.

The game between the Sappers and RAF Little Sal Wan is cancelled as the Airman cannot find sufficient men to form a XV. Incidentally it is reported that the same lot of Airmen will be playing the Navy side on Friday at 4.30 p.m. at Little Sal Wan. It is to be hoped for the Navy's sake that this one too is not cancelled.

The game between Whitfield Wanderers and 22nd Medium Regiment is definitely on and will be played on the Army Boundary Street ground at 4.30 p.m.

Shaky starters

Earlier on in the afternoon on the same ground the RASC play the Police at 3.15 p.m. As far as the Police know, this game is on, no comment being available from the RASC and as this will be the RASC's first game since the New Year they must be looked on as shaky starters.

Now some news of the Blarney Stone Sevens. There was a big response to this, and the draw will be published nearer the date, but already one of the main contenders, the Lancers, have withdrawn their entry, because they are scheduled to play the 2nd New Zealand Regiment on that Saturday in the Army Cup Final. This opens the top half of the Tournament to a minor Seven to make the semi-finals.

Of the games (this afternoon, Police in the first game, and the fact that they are fielding their "B" side team, should prove too strong for the untried Corps, who did not have a great success in the pre-Xmas part of the season.

The Police pack should dominate forward play, and their backs though scrappy should handle well enough to win.

In the other game, the result is more difficult to predict, for 32nd Medium are a strong little team, with a few packs, and good backs. Whitfield, on the other hand are much stronger forward and also have a nice pair of halves and fast attacking three. The Wanderers should see more of the ball from the lineouts and scrums, and on paper are superior in the loose, while 32nd Medium, if they get the ball have the power in their back line to force a gap in the Wanderers' defence.

After Saturday's games there are only two full matches scheduled. One is the annual Club versus Wayfong game, and the other, the Macau tour sponsored by the Whitfield Wanderers.

Players and spectators are reminded that the Rugby Union dance at Republic Bay Hotel (tickets \$20 per head) is now only three days away, and a few tickets are still available through rugby secretaries. The

Britain a step nearer to staging world soccer tourney

London, Mar. 8.

Spain has offered to withdraw its candidacy for staging the 1966 World Football Championships in favour of Great Britain, should Britain wish to stage the championship to commemorate the Centenary of the creation of its Football Association, it was announced here today.

The Spanish offer was made by Spanish Football Federation President, Senor Alfonso De La Fuente, in a letter to the English Football Association.

The letter said: "If the Football Association would like to organise the Championships to commemorate the Centenary, Spain will renounce immediately as a proof of homage and affection to the country which taught us how to practise football."

English Football Association secretary Sir Stanley Rous has replied that Britain could avail itself of the offer only if West Germany, the other candidate to stage the 1966 Championships, also stepped down.—AFP.

UK soccer results

London, Mar. 8

Results of tonight's British football matches are:

English League Division III
Brentford 3, Chesterfield 0.
Doncaster 2, Chester 0.
Scottish League Division I
Aberdeen 0, Clyde 2.
(Postponed from March 6).—Reuter.

World record

Leningrad, Mar. 8. Russia's Yekaterina Farkley today bettered the world women's indoor record over 400 metres clocking 57.7 seconds. This time also beat the Soviet indoor record of 59.3 seconds which was held since 1958 by Aonina Falisova.—AFP.

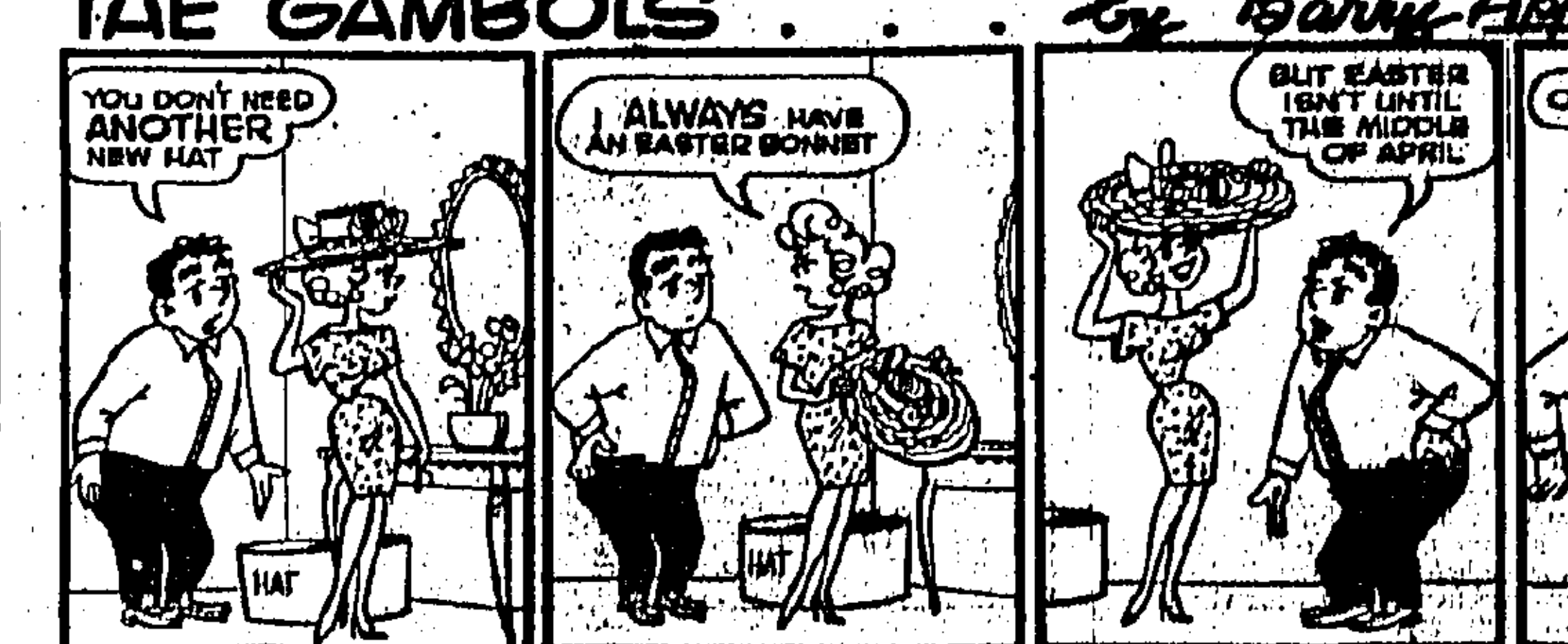
CHERRY

by LEONARD BARDEN

Harry Golombek was in fine form in last year's British Championship; here is how he used his army of 17 English Opening to force a quick win against A. M. Hallmark.

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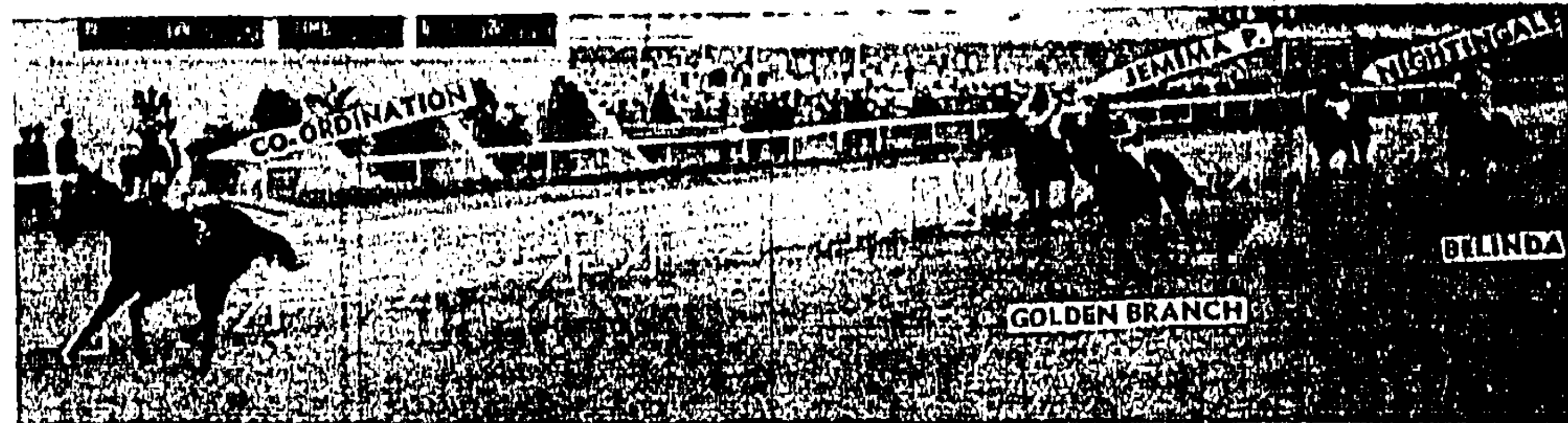
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SPORTS PICTORIAL



RIGHT: These colourful characters of Leyton Orient are putting more colour into soccer with this new line in shorts.

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BELOW: Sir Edric Bayly, Commander British Forces, Hongkong, is clean bowled by Heath after scoring two runs in the annual cricket match between the CBF and the Commissioner of Police's eleven at Nookunpu last Sunday.

The CBF's XI won easily by 98 runs. China Mail photo.



ABOVE: Co-ordination, ridden by K. Kwok, and carrying a record number of 74,554 tickets, romps home to an easy six-length win over Golden Branch in the last race of the three-day Annual Race Meeting at Happy Valley last Saturday. The winner paid \$7.50 for a win and \$5.10 for a place.

ABOVE RIGHT: Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Smith, owners of Honey Bird, receiving the Chairman's Cup from Mr. D. Benson, Chairman of the Stewards, Hongkong Jockey Club, after the pony's victory in the one mile 171 yards event last Saturday.

RIGHT: Honey Bird, piloted by A. Ostroff, making its powerful run in the last furlong to beat Virtuoso by two lengths in the Chairman's Cup event, and pay \$14.40 for a win.—China Mail photo.



ABOVE: Kelpie, with Chun Kit up, staging a strong finish to overtake Don Juan at the winning post and win by a head in the short-sprint Hatched Handicap event on Saturday. The winner paid \$10.70 for a win.—China Mail photo.



Anthony Armstrong-Jones, as cox of the 1950 Cambridge Boat Race crew, helps to bring out the boat at Putney for a training spin. His engagement to Princess Margaret surprised the world when it was announced recently.—Central Press Photo.



Picture just received from Australia shows that famous trio of Australian girl swimmers who have been included in Australia's Olympic team for the Rome games this year. They are, from left, Lisa Konrad, Dawn Fraser and Lorraine Crapp. A couple of weeks ago, Miss Fraser took 3.1 seconds off both her 200 yards and 200 metres world records.—Central Press photo.

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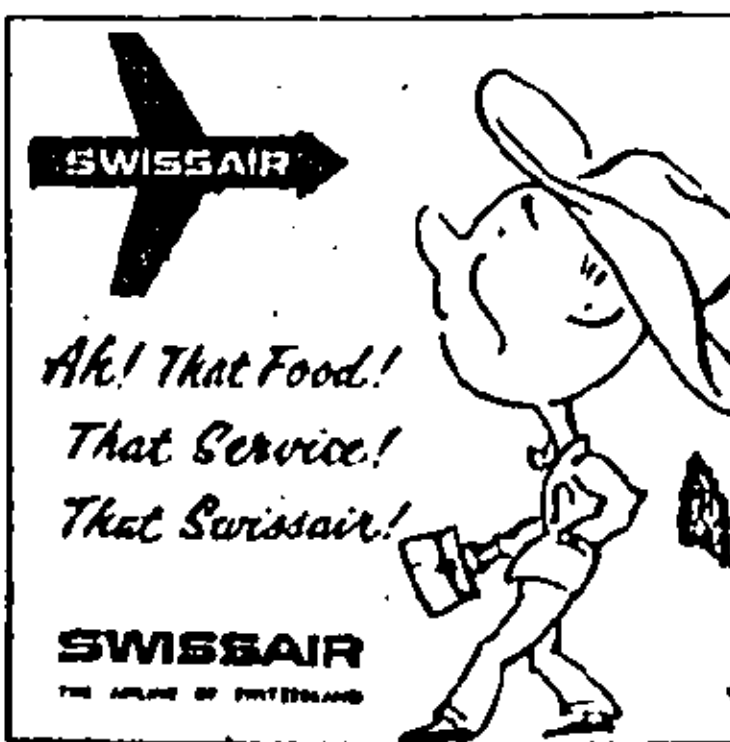
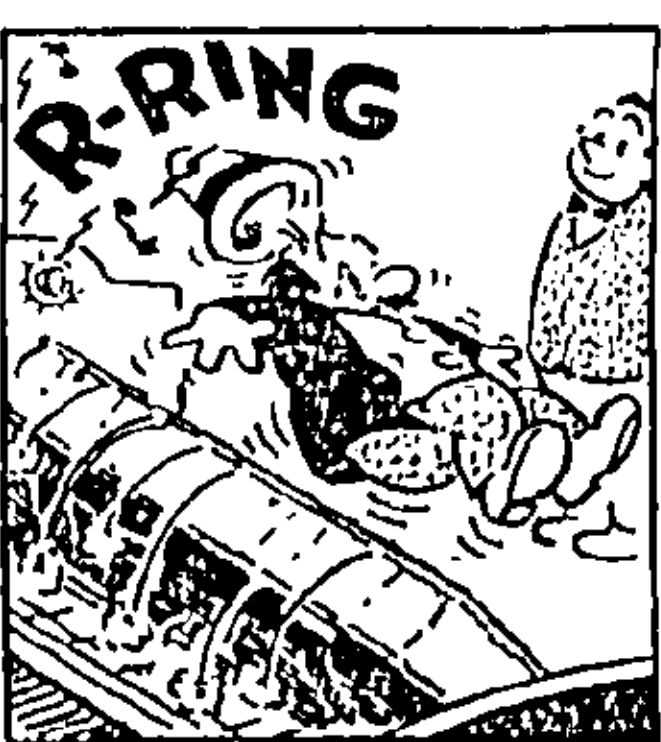
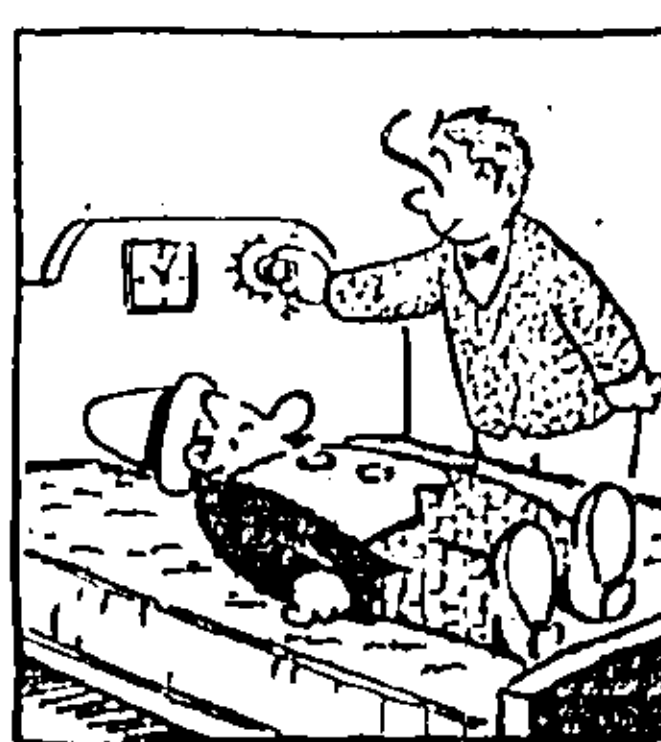
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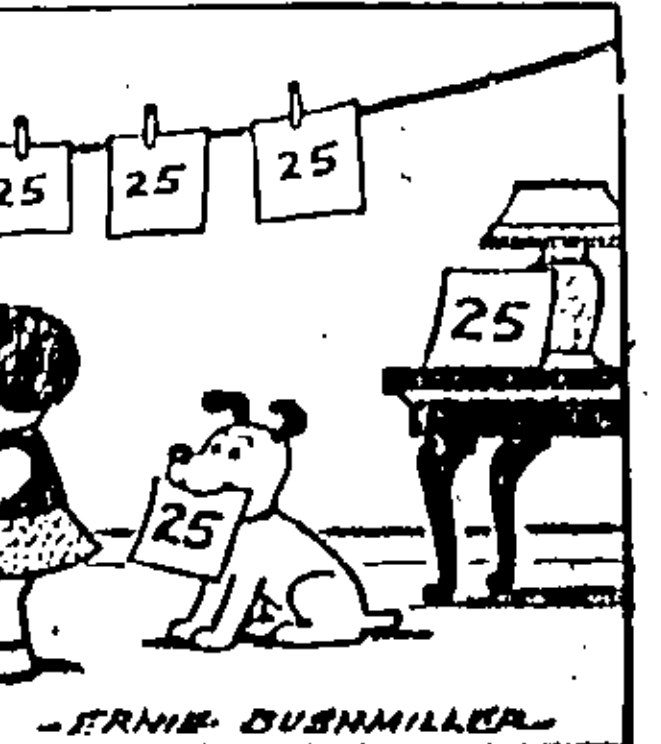
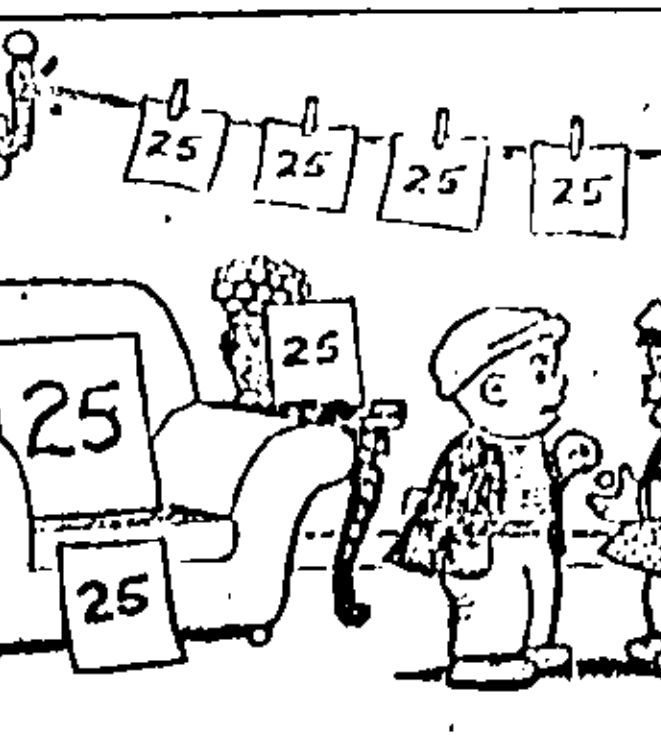
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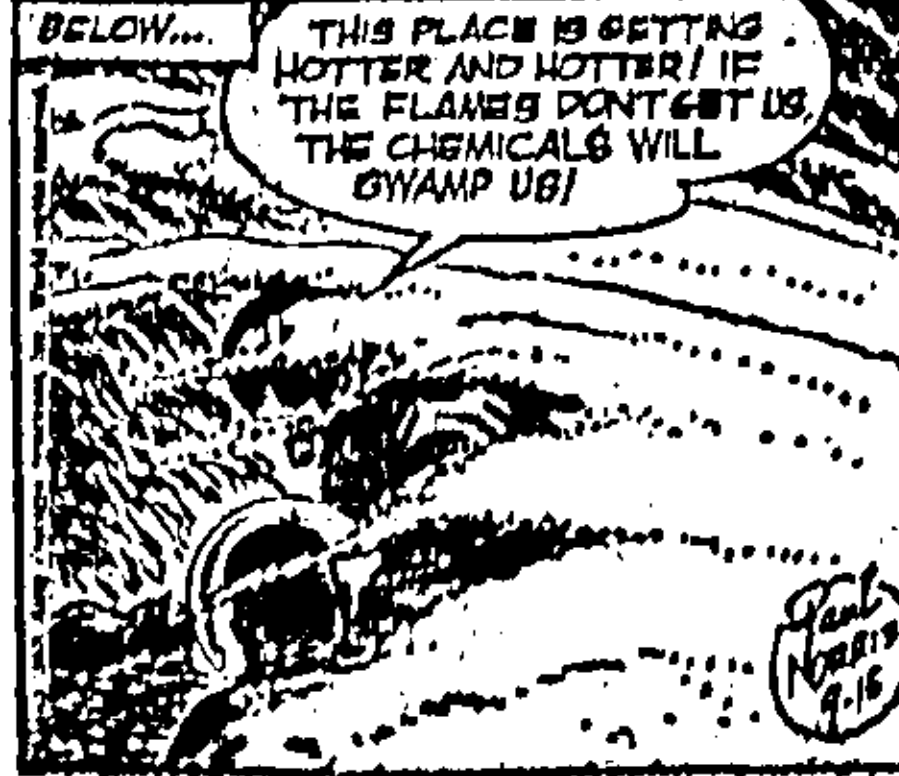
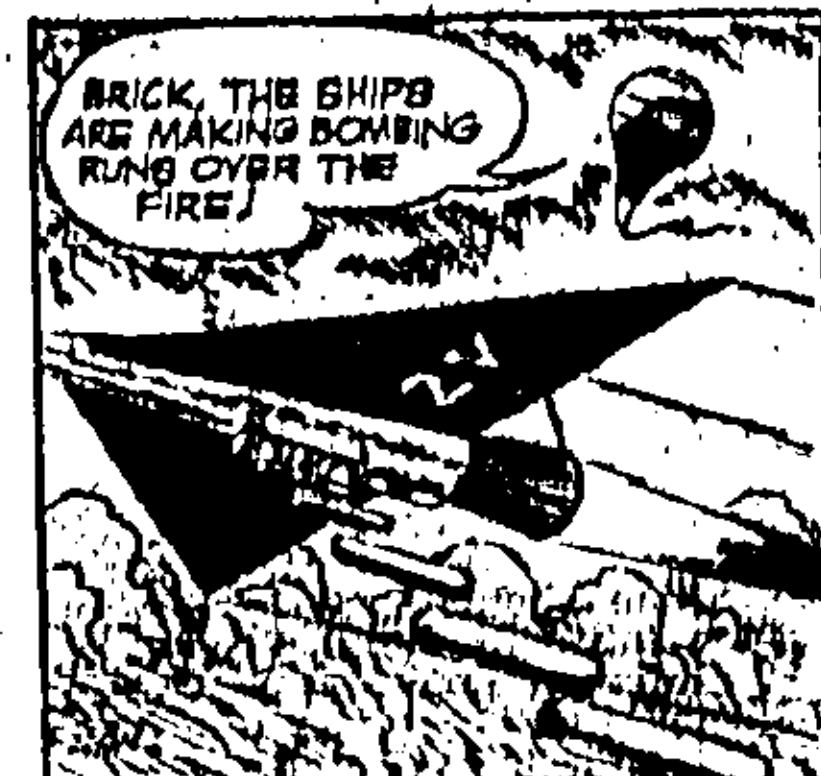
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HK Bank gesture to clients

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The red covers came with the smaller statement as a goodwill gesture from the bank.

The covers are made in Hongkong.

Pakistani charged

A 30-year-old Pakistani, Noor Din, of 30 Shelly Street, appeared before Mr Derek Cons at Central Magistracy this morning on charges of criminal intimidation.

Din is alleged to have threatened to injure Shah Nawaz Khan with intent to alarm him between February 15 and 26 this year.

It is also alleged that Din threatened Li Wai-man that he would injure Khan with intent to alarm Li on February 24 this year.

Din, who is on \$500 bail, was remanded until tomorrow. No plea was taken.

Man falls into harbour

A 22-year-old man in grey pyjamas jumped or fell into the harbour from the Kennedy Town waterfront at the junction of New Praya Street and Queen's Road West at 12.30 p.m. yesterday.

Leung Sun-yin, a coolie on a lorry of the Tak Hing Transport Co. nearby, immediately plunged in to rescue the man.

He was sent to hospital. He is still there this morning.

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HELICOPTER FLIGHT TO LANTAO

The Governor, Sir Robert Black, visited the site of Hongkong's new \$220 million reservoir scheme at Shek Pik, on Lantau Island this morning. He was accompanied by the Director of Public Works, Mr A. Inglis.

Sir Robert and Mr Inglis travelled to Lantau Island in a Widgcon helicopter of the Hongkong Auxiliary Air Force. The helicopter left the Hongkong Stadium at Soekunpoo at 9.44 a.m. and landed 20 minutes later at Shek Pik, where the Governor was greeted by the Chief Resident Engineer, Mr S. C. M. Cutting, and the Resident Engineer, Mr W. Phillips.

At the site of the earth dam, the Governor was met by Monsieur M. Martin, agent for Societe Francaise d'Entreprises de Travaux et de Travaux Publiques, who are the contractors for the dam embankment, Mr J. A. D. Dempsey, agent for Soil Mechanics and Monsieur J. Moureaux, Chief Engineer of Sotatancher, the two firms engaged on the construction of the dam foundations.

Drilling

Sir Robert watched rock drilling and grouting operations. Over 22,000 feet of rock drilling has now been completed and work is nearing completion on the construction of the clay embankment, which is 1,100 feet long and 50 feet wide at the top.

Construction of the earth gravity dam is expected to start about next September and will take over three years to complete. The earth dam is to be 2,300 feet long and have a maximum height of 170 feet.

It will consist of four different kinds of rolled material obtained from the floor of the Shek Pik valley, from adjacent hillsides and from nearby beaches.

The Shek Pik reservoir, when completed, will have a capacity of 5,350 million gallons and will thus augment the Colony's present water storage by more than 50 per cent. The reservoir will be able to supply a maximum of 35 million gallons of treated water daily.

7 miles of tunnels

During his inspection tour, Sir Robert visited the central grouting station and the diversion tunnels.

The Shek Pik project involves the construction of seven miles of tunnels; a new pumping station near Pui O and treatment works above Silvermine Bay and 13 miles of catchwaters, as well as the laying of 10 miles of submarine pipeline across the West Lamma Channel.

From Shek Pik, Sir Robert travelled in a Land Rover along the South Lantau Road. He saw the route of the tunnel which will carry water from the reservoir to the filter house to be built above Silvermine Bay.

Gravity filters

The Governor also saw the points of the tunnel portals on the hillsides and the site of the new pumping station at Pui O and treatment works above Silvermine Bay.

The filters will be of the rapid gravity type and of modern design. After filtration and treatment, the water will discharge into a service reservoir to be constructed next to the filters.

The water will then gravitate through the twin 30-inch submarine pipeline which will be laid in a trench in the seabed to a pumping station to be constructed at Sandy Bay, below Mount Davis. These submarine pipes are expected to arrive in Hongkong towards the end of the year.

Sir Robert returned to Hongkong in a Marine Police launch.

Counterfeit

Greensboro, N.C., Mar. 8. Donald Ruth was indicted by a Federal grand jury on Monday on charges of trying to sell counterfeit Confederate money through the mails.

The grand jury said Ruth advertised it as the real thing.—UPI.

GIRLS WORKED AFTER 8 O'CLOCK AND BOSSES ARE FINED

Three factory proprietors who employed women workers after 8 o'clock at night were fined sums ranging from \$750 to \$1,500 at Central Court today.

The proprietor of Winsome Plastic Works, 58 Tai Hong Street, ground floor, was fined \$1,300.

He pleaded guilty to a summons before Central Magistrate Mr I. T. Morris.

The proprietor of the Chung Sing Trading Co. at 155 Island Road, first floor, who allowed 10 women to work during the night shift after 11 p.m. was fined \$1,500.

Another proprietor, who permitted 16 women to work after 8 p.m. was fined \$750. He was the proprietor of Sun Wah Book Binding Co. at 203, King's Road.

Children under 14 at work

Three proprietors who were summoned for employing children under 14 in their factories were each fined \$500 by Mr Morris.

They were the proprietors of the Po Kwong Metalware Factory at 9 Ship Street, ground floor, the Pui Kee Plastic Factory at 2A Kut On Street, ground floor, the Yu Cheong Kwok Plastic Factory at 47 Hau Wo Street.

Labour Inspector Mary M. Wong of the Labour Department, prosecuting, said two children were found working in the Pui Kee Plastic Factory on February 10, and 15 children were working in the Yu Cheong Kwok Plastic Factory on January 10.

Inspector Wong told the court that the case concerning the Po Kwong Metalware Factory was a very serious one.

She said on January 22 an accident had occurred in the factory whereby a child worker was injured.

The proprietor of the factory, who had already been fined previously for employing child labour, repeated the same offence on January 23 when a child was again found working in his factory, added Insp. Wong.

Return of birching

London, Mar. 8. A new move to bring back birching for crimes of violence is being planned by some sections of the Conservative Party.

Three motions calling for the reintroduction of corporal punishment were published here in the agenda of the National Union of Conservative and Unionist Associations, whose Central Council will meet in London on March 17 and 18.

One of the motions, selected for discussion, asks "that the discretion of judges and magistrates to order corporal punishment by birch or cane for crimes of violence should be restored."

Corporal punishment was abolished in Britain in 1948 except for attacks on prison wardens.

Attempts in recent years to have it reintroduced have been vigorously resisted by the Home Secretary, Mr R. A. Butler, —China Mail Special.

Tsung Tsin Association

Honolulu, Mar. 9. About 500 Hakkaspeaking Chinese of Hawaii are assembling in Honolulu to commemorate the 23rd anniversary of the Tsung Tsin Association.

The Association is a benevolent society. Its membership consists of Chinese of the Hakkas dialect of South China and Hawaiian Island.—AP.

Promoted

Washington, Mar. 8. Mr Henry Cabot Lodge, U.S. permanent delegate to the United Nations, has been promoted by President Eisenhower to the rank of major general in the Army Reserve.

Senator Strom Thurmond (Democrat, SC) was promoted to the rank of major general in the Air Force.

The Chief of Staff for Civil Affairs.—AP.

Mine disaster

Coalbrook, Mar. 8. The Clydesdale colliery, where 420 miners had been in January after a rock fall, will not attempt to recover the bodies from 500 feet underground. Tests have showed a high content of noxious, highly inflammable gases are in the wrecked mine, the Colliery announced today.

ALLEGED MURDER ON LANTAO

A 21-year-old garment factory worker faced criminal proceedings before Mr T. L. Yang at Central Magistracy this morning for the alleged murder of a 53-year-old woman and the wounding of her older brother in Lantau Island on early morning in January.

Det. Insp. G. J. Batts, who is conducting the proceedings, said there was no prior motive in this case.

Accused is Tang Lai-hang, alias Chan Wing-chit, of 133 Kiang Street, first floor, Kowloon. He is alleged to have killed Leung Mei-chai and wounded Leung Hei in Ma Wan Chung Village, Lantau Island, on January 31.

Adopted

Insp. Batts said that accused had been adopted and brought up by a couple in Ba Mei. He left the district to work in Hongkong after quarrelling with his foster mother three years ago.

Insp. Batts said accused was not seen again until the afternoon of January 30 when he went to Tang Yau-kam's house in Ma Wan Chung Village. They knew each other since childhood. Tang was a married woman and her husband was in England.

After the evening meal accused went to Ba Mei to visit his foster parents. He returned unexpectedly to Tang's house that evening seeking to stay there for the night.

Inspector Batts said accused slept in a cockloft with Leung Mei-chai, the deceased woman, and Tang slept on the ground floor.

At about 3.15 a.m. the next day Tang was awakened by a noise from the cockloft. Getting no reply from her call she ran out of the house and told Leung Hei, the older brother of the deceased.

Arrested

When Tang and Leung Hei returned, the accused gave Tang a blow and struck Leung on the head with an object.

Insp. Batts said the accused ran away but was arrested by police in Silver Mine Bay the same morning.

Hearing is continuing.

Midnight robbery on Wanchai staircase

A man robbed a woman of a golden necklace, a finger-ring and cash to a total value of \$143 in Wanchai shortly before midnight last night.

At about 11.40 p.m. the thief, reportedly dressed in a coffee-coloured shirt and black European-style trousers, held up the woman at the staircase of 171 Wanchai Road.

Besides jewellery, he also took \$33.50 from her handbag.

A police party arrived on the scene but were unable to find the thief.

Reluctant private 23760550 refuses to get out of bed

London, Mar. 8. PRIVATE JAMES FLYNN, aged 21, had the Army in a dith at Aldershot the other night. Because he wouldn't eat, get out of bed, or open his mouth.

Senior officers confessed: the case of 23760550 Private Flynn has put the Army in a spot. Nobody knows what to do about him.

Life for Private Flynn and the Army took on an unilitary flavour recently.

After only eight weeks of his two years' National Service at London University student Flynn, of Tuscan Street, Bethnal Green, decided enough was enough. He went ON STRIKE.

It started with 6.30 a.m. reveille at Salamanca Barracks — home of "C" Company, 2 Training Battalion, R.A.S.C.

Twenty recruits in the barrack-room jumped into uniform. Not Private Flynn. He turned over, back to sleep.

"Get out of it," ordered the lance-corporal. No response. "On your feet," shouted the sergeant. No response.

Company commander Captain Pat Drew had a go. Private Flynn stayed bed-bound.

Three hours later the unit doctor examined him. His verdict: "Fit for duty."

No again

Still Private Flynn refused to budge, which in the Army could have but one result — immediate departure for the guardroom.

It could have been the end of the affair. Only Private Flynn refused to don uniform for the march to the cells in neighbouring Williams Barracks.

Tall, silent Flynn went to the cells in his civilian suit. He refused orders. He refused to eat. He refused to speak all day for two days. Then he was driven to the Cambridge Military Hospital where he was forcibly fed.

The same thing happened again later.

Then he was ordered to appear before the battalion commanding officer, Lieut.-Colonel O. J. Dugan.

Picked up

Private Flynn refused to march into the C.O.'s office. His escort picked him up and stood him before the colonel's desk.

There he refused to answer any questions or listen to the charges. He was picked up and carried out of the room.

Said a perplexed Colonel Dugan: "I have remanded him while a written summary of evidence is prepared."

"I shall take advice from the War Office legal experts."

Said the battalion adjutant, Captain John Gray: "Before his call-up, he appeared before a conscription officers' tribunal."

"Now he has informed us that he wants to become a frontline soldier and not a general duties man. So far as we are concerned, general duties is the only type of work for which he is suited."

—(London Express Service).

From the Files

25 years AGO

March, 1935

A CLASSIC example of Chinese architecture reminiscent of designs in the Ching dynasty now stands in Shan Kwong Road, Happy Valley, in striking contrast to the other buildings in the vicinity.

The building is the Buddhist Temple erected by Lady Ho Tung at a cost of \$100,000. When finished the main hall, with its surrounding gallery, will have accommodation for more than 1,000 people and should prove suitable for large Buddhist or educational conferences.

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From the SCM Post's 25 Years Ago column: "It may interest teetotalers and others, that there are 61 kinds of champagnes for sale in 11 Hongkong business houses. Of these wines, 44 are French, 18 are German, three Spanish and one Italian. The prices range from \$15.00 to \$74.80 a case, duty included."

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LORD Londonderry's memorandum issued with the Air Estimates today, says it is hoped that an experimental air service to connect Hongkong with the main Australian route to Bangkok will be started in the near future.

Commenting on the delay in organising air services connecting Hongkong with other parts of the world, the magazine Air Review, monthly organ of the Air League or the British Empire said that Britain might lose its chance of making Hongkong the "Charing Cross" of the Pacific.

Hongkong, said the magazine, was the natural aerial hub of all air routes operating to and from the Far East.

"But it will lose its position to its Chinese sister city, Canton, if something is not done to place it on the aerial map."

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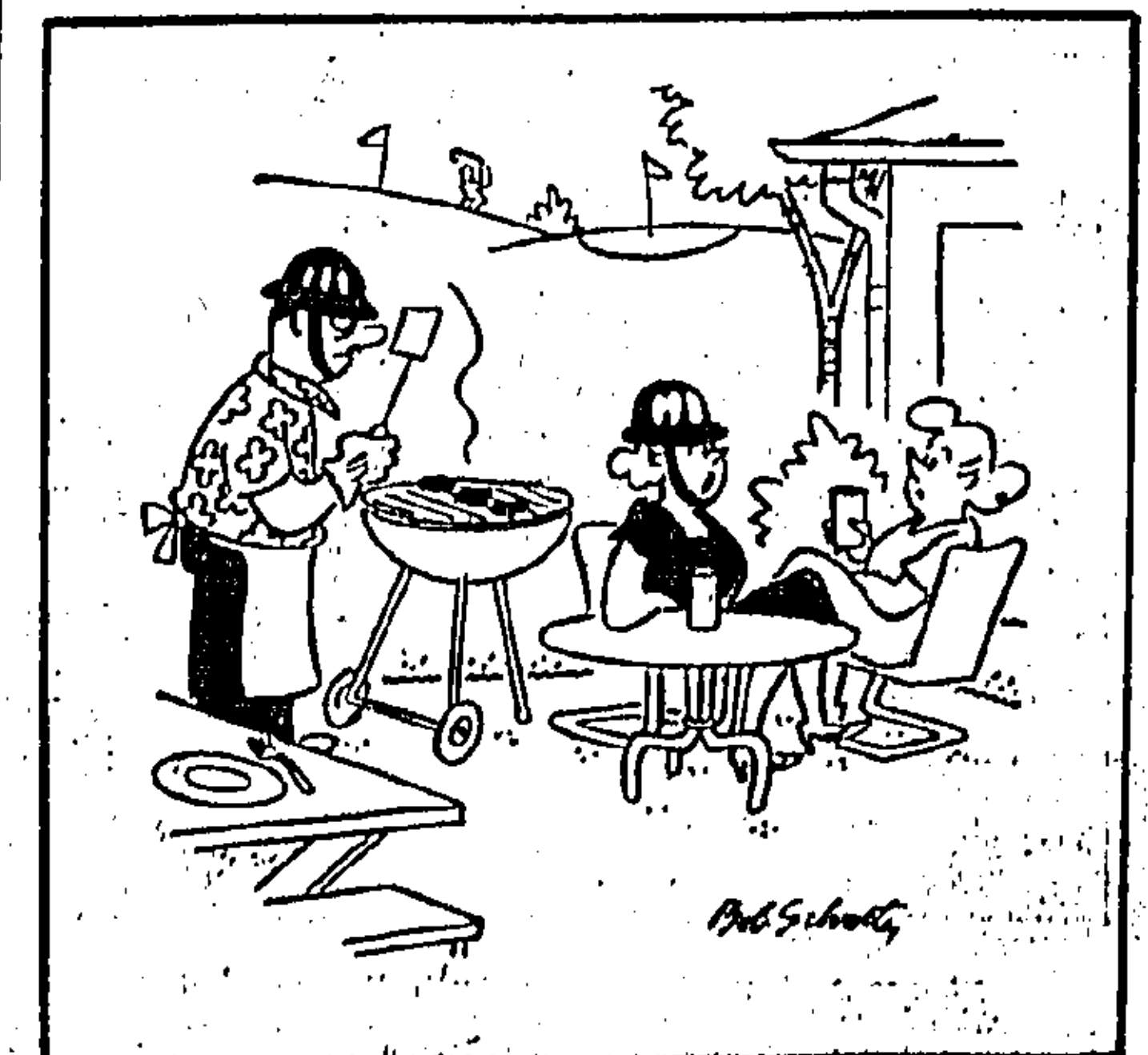
The Powers are now proposing to intervene in the Sino-Japanese conversations apparently fearing the consequences of China's surrender to Japan. It is suggested that an international loan should be made to China, —Japan arrangement should close the Open Door.

The Consortium Agreement and Nine Power Pact are invoked in justification.

This proposal is favoured by communists in Washington who see in the collaboration another sign of Anglo-American understanding.

The Japanese reaction so far is suspicious and resentful, while at the same time denials are made that official negotiations are afoot. It is hinted that Japan will brook no interference.

This funny world



"At first, Howard thought it would be wonderful to live next to the golf course."